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of the

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April 1-4, 1940

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1916	Lawrence	Rev. J. C. Jacoby	Rev. Paul Mennenoch	Mr. L. T. Bang
1917	Wichita	Rev. Carl G. Aue	Rev. Paul Mennenoch	Mr. L. T. Bang
1918	Lawrence	Rev. Paul Mennenoch	Rev. L. A. Harshman	Mr. L. T. Bang
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1938	Oklahoma City	Rev. C. A. Puls	Rev. W. W. Klover	Mr. L. T. Bang
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1940	Atchison, Kans.	Rev. Andreas Bard	Rev. W. W. Klover	Mr. L. T. Bang

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CALENDAR OF CAUSES
THE UNITED LUTHERAN CHURCH
IN AMERICA

Month or Day	Cause	Board or Agency
September	Parish Education	Parish and Church School Board
October	Social Missions	Board of Social Missions
November	Stewardship	Lutheran Laymen's Movement
December	Christian Ministry,	Bd. of Ministerial Pensions and Relief
January	Foreign Missions	Board of Foreign Missions
February	American Missions	Board of American Missions
Septuagesima	Deaconess Work	Board of Deaconess Work
April	Christian Higher Education	Board of Education
May	World Lutheranism	Lutheran World Convention

BUDGET OF THE UNITED LUTHERAN CHURCH IN AMERICA FOR 1940

	Percentage
Board of Foreign Missions	30.00
Board of American Missions	38.57
Board of Education	9.00
Board of Social Missions	1.82
Board of Ministerial Pensions and Relief	11.75
Board of Deaconess Work	2.00
Parish and Church School Board	1.22
National Lutheran Council	1.15
American Bible Society	.25
United Lutheran Church Treasury	4.24
	100.00

APPORTIONMENT BUDGET OF THE KANSAS SYNOD

United Lutheran Church treasury	$3.00
Midland College	.75
Synodical Home Missions	.30
Tabitha Home	.20
Kansas Synod Lutheran	.15
Ministerial Education	.10
Synodical Treasury	.50
TOTAL	$5.00

Roll Of Synod

PASTOR AND ADDRESS	Ordination	Name of Church	Telephone	Lay Delegate
Bard, Andreas, D.D., Litt.D., 3805 Harrison, K. C., Mo.	1891	St. Mark's	Logan 4191	Fred Schaeffer
Beil, Alfred J., 5th & Harrison, Topeka, Kansas	1923	First	2-0955 & 8273	Harry Roehs
Bergstresser, Fuller, D.D., 514 N. W. 3rd., Abilene, Kans.	1893	Trinity	1306	
Bloch, F. H., 12th & Robinson, Oklahoma City, Okla.	1924	First	3-3487	L. A. Swanson
de Freese, K., D.D., Peabody, Kans.	1916	St. Paul's	231	Mrs. A. R. Kent
Ebright, O. W., D.D., 206 W. 7th, Emporia, Kans.	1919	St. Mark's	885-W	Mrs. W. Riegle
Eller, George W., Beloit, Kans.	1935	Zion's	454	Ed. Wrench
Englehardt, Milton P., Glasco, Kansas	1939	St. Paul's	181	Orville Halderdson
Gaston, Robert E., Bendena, Kans.	1930	St. John's	35	Ross Elliot
Gilmer, E. H., New Cambria, Kansas		St. Paul's	98F13-Salina	Anson Kreiser
Gilmer, E. H., New Cambria, Kansas		Peace	98F13-Salina	Chas. Donmeyer
Gilmer, Max, Valley Falls, Kans.	1934	St. Paul's	97	A. J. Knouse
Hamrick, S. A., 901 S. 5th, Atchison, Kans.	1932	St. Mark's	661 & 480	Russell Keithline
Havekost, Alvin D., 839 North Market, Wichita, Kansas	1935	St. Paul's	3-0810	Robert Tonsing
Harrison, E. R., 1015 Washington Ave., Hutchinson, Kans.	1932	Zion	246	O. L. Lipe
Karriker, C. P., 2300 N. "I" St., Ft. Smith, Ark.	1925	St. Luke's	8390	Bert Conner
Klover, W. Wilbur, 801 N. 17th, Kansas City, Kans.	1931	Trinity	Drexel 3690	Walter Brandt
Lantz, B. R., D.D. 310 S. 7th, Salina, Kans.	1898	St. John's	1004	Dr. E. E. Harvey
Malin, A. W., Lancaster, Kans.	1932	St. John's	Call Op., Lancaster	Fred Kloepper
McConnell, D. L., Rockport, Mo.	1914	First	224	Harold Luhrs
McConnell, D. L., Langdon, Mo.	1914	St. Peter's	224 Rockport	Harold Luhrs
McCulloch, J. A., D. D., 2710 Blue Ridge, K. C., Mo.	1897	Child. Mem.	Benton 7075	A. E. Smith
Msser, J. Ernest, Greeneaf, Kans.	1932	St. Paul's	59	C. A. Harkness, Jr.
Messer, J. Ernest, Greenleaf, Kans.	1932	Trinity	59	C. A. Harkness, Jr.
Miller, Paul Luther, Cole Camp, Mo.	1928	Trinity	2633 Sedalia	Q. A. Morgan
Miller, Paul Luther, 912 S. Osage, Sedalia, Mo.	1928	United	2633	Noel Tweet
Moeller, W. H., 1207 Fort St., Hays, Kans.	1931	Trinity	649	Frank Walz
Mykland, G. K., Chapman, Kans.	1911	Scherer Mem.	218	Ira T. Koogle
Pfeiffer, R. R., 313 N. Elm St., Eureka, Kans.	1929	Christ's	1025	T. C. Forbes
*Schaub, G. C., Ph. D., Wakeeney, Kans.	1898	Bethelem	247	E. Messeman, Sr.
Search, G. L., Waterville, Kansas	1932	St. Mark's	58	D. L. Livers
Search, G. L., Waterville, Kans.	1932	First	58	D. L. Livers
Stauffer, E. E., D.D., 839 N. Market St., Wichita, Kans.	1897	St. Paul's	3-0810 & 3-0763	Robert Tonsing
Tonsing, Ernest F., Wellington, Kans.	1935	St. John's	860	Levi Dunlop
Whittecar, G. R., 324 S. Gillette St., Tulsa, Okla.	1935	First	2-6566	J. G. Lazarus

Zabel, Norbert, Bunkerhill, Kans.	1939	Zion	Call Operator	Ralph G. Vague
Zabel, Norbert, Wilson (Bunkerhill), Kans.	1939	Excelsior	Call Operator	Ralph G. Vague
VACANT, Lawrence, Kans.		Trinity		H. T. Yost
VACANT, St. Joseph, Mo.		First		Ira W. Thomas

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Sibberson, E. C., D.D., 2916 Clark Court, Topeka, Kansas	1911
Swihart, C. N., D.D., Pastor Emeritus, R.F.D. 2, Box 240, Oklahoma City, Ok.,	1902
Weisenborn, Frederick, 1131 Parallel St., Atchison, Kansas	1902
Wiest, C. F., D.D., Pastor Emeritus, 503 W. 7th St., Hays, Kansas	1898

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GREETINGS TO THE WOMEN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY—Rev. Alfred J. Beil.

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THE PROGRAM

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Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Kansas and Adjacent States

April 1 — 4, 1940

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PROGRAM

MONDAY, APRIL 1

8:00 P.M.—Luther League Program.
Informal Reception for Delegates.

TUESDAY, APRIL 2

9:00 A.M.—The Service of Holy Communion with Sermon by President Bard; Officers of the Synod in Charge.

Note —Brief Recess between Service and Formal Opening of Synod.
Formal Opening of the Convention
Announcement of Convention Committees.
Reception of New Pastors.
Introduction of Lay Delegates by Conference Presidents.
Establishment of the Roll.
Definition of the Convention Boundary.
Introduction of Guests, Speakers, etc.
Report of the President.
Report of the Executive Committee.

12:00 Noon Recess.

1:30 P.M.—Devotions by Convention Chaplain, Dr. B. R. Lantz.

1:45 P.M.—Executive Committee Report continued; the Report of Camp Washunga.
Report of the Treasurer.
Report of the Auditing Committee.
Report of Statistician.
Report of Historian.
Election of President, secretary, treasurer, lay representatives on the Executive Committee for the Eastern, Western and Southern Conferences.
Report of Editor of the "Kansas Synod Lutheran."
Election of Editor of "Kansas Synod Lutheran."
Report of Reporter to "The Lutheran."
Reports of Conference Presidents.
Report of Examining Committee.
Report of Committee on Ministerial Education.
Report of the Rural Conference.

4:00-5:00—The Rural Church, "The Rural Front: It's Meaning," by Dr. Martin Schroeder.

7:45 P.M.—Service sponsored by the Women's Missionary Society.
Installation of the President of Synod.
Speakers: Miss Ruth Juram, Philadelphia; Dr. M. R. Hamsher, Harrisburg; Liturgist, Rev. S. A. Hamrick.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 3

8:45-9:15 A.M.—Devotions by Convention Chaplain.

9:15 A.M.—Approval of Minutes for Tuesday's Sessions.
Report of Tabitha Home Trustees.
Report of Tabitha Home Promotional Committee.
Election of Tabitha Home Trustee.

Report of Committee on Necrology.
Report of Committee on Constitution.
Report of Committee on Clerical Roll.
Report of Luther League Sponsors.
Report of Committee on Parish and Church School.
Report of "Children of the Church"
Report of Leadership and Youth Camp.
Report of Committee on Stewardship and Benevolence.
Report of Committee on Work with Students.

10:30 A.M.—Address by Dr. M. R. Hamsher, Official ULCA Representative.

11:30 A.M.—Inspirational Address by Dr. W. H. Traub.

12:00 Noon.

1:30-1:45 P.M.—Devotions by Convention Chaplain.

1:45 P.M.—Report of Committee on Midland College Promotional Work.
Report of Midland College Trustees.
Election of Midland College Trustees.
Report of Committee on the President's Report.
Report of Merger Commission.
Report of Committee on Communicant Membership Roll.
Report of Committee on Executive Committee's Report, including the Adoption of the Apportionment Budget.
Report of Committee on Synodical Brotherhood.

3:30 P.M.—Synodical Brotherhood Assembly.

6:45 P. M.—1. Women's Missionary Society Banquet.
2. Synodical Brotherhood Banquet.

THURSDAY, APRIL 4

8:45-9:15 A.M.—Devotions by Convention Chaplain and Dr. W. H. Traub.
Report of Committee on Evangelism.
Report of Committee on Foreign Missions.
Greetings from the Women's Missionary Society.
Report of Committee on Home Missions.
Report of Treasurer of Home Missions Committee.
Election of Home Missions Committeemen.
Report of Committee on Ministerial Pensions.
Election of Delegates to the United Lutheran Church Convention.
Reports of Convention Committees:
Reference and Counsel.
Local Publicity.
Absentees and Excuses.
Claims.
Place of Next Convention.
Resolutions.

10:30 A.M.—The Rural Church. "The Rural Front: It's Conquest," by Dr. Martin Schroeder.
The Formal Closing of the Convention.

MINUTES

PROCEEDINGS OF THE SEVENTY-SECOND ANNUAL CONVENTION OF THE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN SYNOD OF KANSAS AND ADJACENT STATES, APRIL 1-4, 1940, HELD IN SAINT MARK'S LUTHERAN CHURCH, REV. S. A. HAMRICK, PASTOR, ATCHISON, KANSAS.

YOUTH PROGRAM AND RECEPTION FOR DELEGATES

Monday, April 1, 1940

A program emphasizing youth leadership under the supervision of Pastors A. J. Beil and S. A. Hamrick was presented by the Luther Leagues from the several organizations of the Eastern Conference . The life service choir, composed entirely of Leaguers, was conducted by Mr. Evan W. Tonsing.

Rev. E. H. Bloch, a member of the Executive Board of the Luther League of America, spoke concerning the objectives of the national organization.

Mr. Jack Fisher, St. Joseph, President of the synodical Luther League, together with Miss Louise Easterday, Topeka, Life Service Secretary, Betty Schmidt, Secretary, and other Leaguers, presented in an inspiring manner a life service feature as a part of the program.

A reception for delegates to the convention of the Synod, the Women's Missionary Society, and the Brotherhood was sponsored by the ladies of the host congregation.

W. Wilbur Klover,
Secretary

Preceding the formal opening of the Convention, Atchison, Kansas, on Tuesday, April 2, 1940, the delegates to the 72nd annual convention of the Synod, delegates to the 60th annual convention of the Women's Missionary Society, as well as representatives from the several Synodical Brotherhoods, assembled themselves together for the service of Holy Communion, which was conducted by the synodical officers. The sermon "The Field is the World" was delivered by President Andreas Bard. The Secretary served as the Liturgist. Mr. Louis T. Bang assisted in the communion service at which one hundred eighty persons received the Sacrament.

Following a brief recess President Andreas Bard called the convention to order and pronounced the same formally opened according to the prescribed form.

The Secretary was instructed to read the names of the convention committeemen.

The following pastors were received as new members in the Synod:

Rev. Milton P. Englehardt, Glasco
Rev. E. J. Messer, Greenleaf
Rev. Alvin D. Havekost, Wichita
Rev. E. H. Gilmer, New Cambria
Rev. George Eller, Beloit.

The Conference Presidents introduced the lay delegates, who were properly enrolled.

It was voted that the entire west section of pews be designated as the convention boundary.

Dr. M. R. Hamsher, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, President of the Central Pennsylvania Synod and representative from the Executive Board of the United Lutheran Church in America, was introduced and made an advisory member of the convention.

Dr. A. M. Knudsen of Chicago, Field Secretary for the Board of American Missions, was introduced and made an advisory member of the convention.

Dr. Andreas Bard presented the President's Report, which was referred to the proper committee.

The President's Report

Fathers and Brethren of the Synod:

Grace be unto you and peace from God the Father, and our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

Submitting to you the transactions which are a part of the President's ministry to the Synod, I record the following brief outline:

Major Activities

April 19, 1939—Installed the officers of the Synodical Brotherhood.

April 22—Instructed Rev. G. K. Mykland to install Rev. Norbert Zabel at Bunkerhill.

April 26—Attended the meeting of the Home Missions Committee at Topeka.

April 27—Attended the meeting of the Synodical Executive Committee held in St. Mark's, Kansas City, Mo.

May 1—Authorized Rev. E. R. Harrison to confer with Dr. A. M. Knudson at Hutchinson.

May 5—Appointed Dr. B. R. Lantz to install Rev. G. E. Eller at Beloit.

May 7—Preached at a "mortgage burning service" at Trinity, Hays.

May 7—Visited the Wakeeney parish and preached in Bethlehem Church.

May 9—Appointed Mr. A. T. Olson to present the past-president's silver cross to Rev. C. A. Puls at Lawrence at a special service on May 14.

May 14—Appointed Dr. B. R. Lantz as this Synod's representative at the convention of the Nebraska Synod, York, Nebraska.

June 1—Instructed President Mykland of the Western Conference to look after the matter of vacancies in New Cambria and Glasco, with the result that the former parish called Rev. E. H. Gilmer and the latter called Rev. Milton P. Engelhardt, who was installed by Rev. Mykland August 20.

June 25-30—Attended the Leadership and Youth camp held at Washunga.

July 15—Authorized Secretary Klover, together with Rev. G. L. Search, to make the necessary adjustments with the Hutchinson parish so a Pastor could be called as soon as possible.

Sept. 13—Visited the Oklahoma City parish in the interests of the restoration of Rev. N. H. Royer to the mininstry.

Sept. 18—Attended the meeting of the Executive Committee, Kansas City, Mo.

Oct. 1—Endorsed the resignation of Rev. E. R. Harrison from the Greenleaf Parish to accept a call to Zion, Hutchinson.

Oct. 22—With Secretary Klover installed Rev. E. R. Harrison as regular pastor at Hutchinson.

Nov. 7—Appointed Dr. E. E. Stauffer chairman of the Promotion Committee for Tabitha Home in place of Rev. R. R. Pfeiffer, resigned.

Nov. 7—Appointed Rev. W. Wilbur Klover to attend the promotional meeting at Tabitha Home, Lincoln, Nebraska, November 16.

Nov. 6, 7—Attended the sessions of the Eastern Conference, Kansas City, Mo.

Nov. 8—Met with the Home Missions Committee, Kansas City, Mo.

Nov. 16—Attended the annual Harvest Festival and preached at the service, Trinity, Kansas City, Kansas.

Dec. 1—Received the resignation of Rev. H. J. McGuire from the parish at St. Joseph, Mo. Indorsed Rev. N. H. Royer and A. L. Groseclose for pensions.

Dec. 5-7—Attended the meeting of Presidents in Harrisburg.

Dec. 12—Attended the meeting of the Executive Committee at Topeka.

Dec. 15—Visited the St. Joseph parish following Rev. McGuire's resignation.

Dec. 31—Received the resignation of Rev. C. A. Puls, Lawrence.

Jan. 18, 1940—Attended the meeting of Executive Committee, Topeka.

Jan. 24—Together with Treasurer Bang and Secretary Klover attended the merger committee meeting in Omaha.

Jan. 29—Attended the tenth anniversary of Dr. J. A. McCulloch's pastorate at Children's Memorial, Kansas City, Mo., and delivered an address.

Feb. 11—Received notice of Lawrence's Call to Rev. H. G. Schwegler.

Feb. 12—Attended a meeting of the merger committees in Omaha with Pastor Klover and Treasurer Bang.

Feb. 23—Visited the St. Paul's parish, Wichita.

Feb. 24—Received notice of St. Joseph's Call to Rev. R. R. Belter.

Feb. 27—Appointed Pastors Beil and Klover to attend a meeting dealing with Social Missions in Omaha, April 5.

February 27—Appointed Rev. A. J. Beil to conduct the service of installation when Rev. H. G. Schwegler will be formally inducted as the regular pastor of Trinity at Lawrence on April 7th.

March 1—Received notice of Rev. Messer's acceptance of the call to the Greenleaf parish.

March 1—Appointed Pastor Mykland to install Rev. J. Ernest Messer as pastor of the Greenleaf parish at the proper time. (Pastor Messer reported March 17.)

We take this means of calling to the attention of the Synod that the following constitutes the necessary elections:

Executive Committee: President, Secretary, Treasurer, one lay representative from each of the three conferences: Western, Southern, and Eastern.

Statistician.

Historian.

Editor of the Kansas Synod Lutheran.

*Tabitha Home Lay Trustee.

Midland College Trustees, one cleric and one lay.

Home Missions Committee, two clerical members and one layman.

Delegates to United Lutheran Church Convention: Four clerical and four lay, also four clerical alternates and four lay alternates. (The President is a delegate by virtue of his office.)

Recommendations

1. That we engage in a season of praise and thanksgiving here at one of the business sessions for God's kind providence to the congregations of our Synod.

2. That the Synod indorse the fourth phase of the Promotional Plan of the United Lutheran Church in America, that of youth emphasis.

3. That the President be authorized to call together, any or all committees or Synodical Trustees of our institutions, as soon after the convention as and if deemed advisable, for the purpose of formulating programs to be carried out in months to come.

4. That individual congregations and Church Councils recognize the ministry of the President of the Synod and cooperate more heartily with Synodical authorities in facing the many problems peculiar to the parish, especially in the state of a vacancy.

Andreas Bard, President

(Refer to Report of Committee on President's Report for final action).

The Executive Committee's report was presented and referred to the proper committee.

Report of Executive Committee

The Executive Committee met four times since the last convention, in keeping with the provisions of the constitution. The following paragraphs present in brief form a resume of the activities:

I KANSAS CITY, MO., APRIL 27, 1939.

1. Received the financial report of Treasurer Bang for the first quarter of 1939.

2. Endorsed the Leadership & Youth Camp and made necessary committee adjustments to insure a successful camp.

3. Awarded the contract for the printing of the "Kansas Synod Lutheran" to Evan Tonsing.

4. Approved the minutes of the last session of the convention.

5. Set up the necessary committees for the ensuing year.

6. Instructed the Secretary and Rev. H. J. McGuire to promote the Church Councilmen's Conferences in October.

II KANSAS CITY, MO., SEPTEMBER 18, 1939.

1. Received the financial report from Treasurer Bang.

2. Authorized the continuance of the Leadership & Youth Camp for 1940 and appointed the necessary committee to promote the project.

3. Authorized Louis T. Bang to make investigation of status of Ottawa properties.

4. Assisted Rev. Newton H. Royer, Oklahoma City, in his return to the ministry and the restoration of his certificate of ordination.

5. Appointed Rev. S. A. Hamrick, a member of the Home Missions Committee to replace Rev. E. R. Harrison, resigned to accept a call to Zion Church, Hutchinson.

6. Set the date for the 1940 convention.

III TOPEKA, KANSAS, DECEMBER 12, 1939.

1. Received financial report from Treasurer Bang.

2. Received and filed the receipt for the Treasurer's bond.

3. Louis T. Bang reported on the Ottawa properties. Empowered Mr. Bang to dispose of the Ottawa properties.

4. Received the report from the Camp Committee and appointed the following for the 1940 season: Rev. A. J. Beil, chairman, Dr. E. E. Stauffer, Mr. Louis T. Bang, Rev. George Eller.

5. Reaffirmed the Synod's endorsement of the campaign for Tabitha Home.

6. Set up preliminary plans for the 1940 convention.

IV TOPEKA, JANUARY 18, 1940.

1. Received the financial statement from Treasurer Bang.

2. Prepared the apportionment budget for 1940.

3. Awarded the contract for the printing of the convention bulletins and minutes to the Douglas County Republican of Lawrence, Kansas.

4. Authorized the Camp Committee to make needed improvements in the swimming facilities at Camp Washunga.

5. Completed plans for the convention program.

6. Made necessary adjustments on several committees.

7. Authorized the Home Missions Committee to clarify status of the Hutchinson mortgage and the relationship of this Synod to the Board of American Missions in this matter.

RECOMMENDATIONS. The Executive Committee submits the following recommendations for consideration and action at the 1940 convention:

1. That the following apportionment budget be adopted:

United Lutheran Church treasury	$3.00
Midland College	.75
Synodical Home Missions	.30
Tabitha Home	.20
Kansas Synod Lutheran	.15
Ministerial Education	.10
Synodical Treasury	.50
TOTAL	$5.00

2. That the President be allowed necessary expenses in the promotion of his duties, and that such expenses be drawn from the Synodical treasury, the amount not to exceed expenditures for the previous year.

DENIED

3. That the Synod indorse the fourth phase of the United Lutheran Church promotional program, that of emphasizing youth.

4. That this Synod authorize the continuance of a merger commission to confer with commissioners from other Synods on this territory, and to report at the 1941 convention.

W. Wilbur Klover, Secretary

(Refer to Report of Committee on Executive Committee's Report for final action).

Dr. E. E. Stauffer and Rev. A. J. Beil presented the camp report for information, the report having been received on a previous occasion by the Executive Committee.

Report of Camp Committee to the Executive Committee

Season 1939

Your Camp Committee presents the following report: The Camp Washunga season for 1939 was carried on in its usual effective manner. Mr. Elmer Hovland of Topeka for the second season was the superintendent. Mr. Al Hart for the fourth season was the camp chef. Six other employees served during most of the season. Fifteen groups used the

Camp this past summer with a total number of 1,163. The number of visitors was considerably over 500.

The major improvement made this year was the connection with the Federal High Line which made it possible to have more effective lighting in the buildings and on the grounds. New wiring was required for the buildings and extension of wiring was made throughout the grounds. It was necessary that the work should meet the approval of the Inspector so that we are assured that it has been well done. The cost of this improvement was something over $400.00. Few additional improvements were made except for the painting of a cabin, the North wing of the dining room, the screening of dining room and chapel and the whitewashing of fences and other buildings. A drinking fountain was built and the sidewalk laid from the chapel to the girls' cabins. The total cost of capital improvements including the purchase of beds and mattresses was $735.55. The net income for the year, over and above the running of the Camp, was $1,549.95. $759.00 went into improvements and $700.00 the paying off of Notes.

Your present Camp Committee has had charge of the Camp for four years and for your information we give a brief resume of things accomplished:

The total income for the four seasons including some loans was over $26,500.00 and the outlay which has gone for the improvement of the Camp and the expenditures have been practically the same amount since the balance in the treasury is $34.56. The Committee liquidated the mortgage indebtedness on the Camp of $5,000.00 or over for $1,000.00. During the four seasons there have been 5,068 campers, and visitors that run into the thousands. The following are some of the major improvements, most of which have been made during the seasons of 1937-38-39:

The dining hall has been enlarged to care for 100 additional diners; a concrete floor laid throughout the dining hall, kitchen, boys' and girls' washrooms and the new chapel; a new storeroom with cement floor; a new dishwashing room with cupboards and cement floors; 200 steel folding chairs; chairs; dishes with the Indianhead design, knives, forks and spoons to care for over 200 campers; purchase of Camp car; a large number of cots, folding beds and mattresses; a chapel with capacity of 300; pews, piano, pulpit and altar for the same; three latrines; a cabin for the stewardess; hot and cold showers in the boys' and girls' washrooms; additional water tanks and laying of water pipes; new boats; dining room tables sufficient to care for 300; the purchase of an electric light generator in 1937, and last, the completion of electric light service for building and grounds taken from the Federal High Line. These improvements and other minor improvements were made at the cost of $5,607.22.

CAMP FINANCIAL REPORT FOR 1939

RECEIPTS:

Balance 1938	$ 65.91	
Loan 1938	400.00	
Groups	4,452.59	
Store	706.56	
Refund	34.47	
Picnics	37.62	
Loan 1939	300.00	
Total	$5,997.15	$5,997.15

DISBURSEMENTS:

Dining Hall	$1,942.80
Salaries	1,439.01

Improvements	759.95	
Supplies for Store	480.84	
Labor	59.50	
Loan	400.00	
Petty Cash	173.91	
Repairs	85.34	
Ice	93.87	
Gas and Oil	119.58	
Sales Tax	66.94	
Interest	11.67	
Committee Expense	104.16	
Printing	69.88	
Miscellaneous	155.14	
Total	$5,962.59	$5,962.59
CASH ON HAND		$ 34.56

The assets of the Camp Washunga (roughly estimated) including grounds, building and equipment are $14,045.00.

Respectfully submitted,
E. E. Stauffer, Chairman
W. Wilbur Klover, Secretary
L. T. Bang, Treasurer
Alfred J. Beil, Reservation Secretary
Committee

It was voted that the Secretary acknowledge a greeting from the Atchison Ministerial Alliance.

The session adjourned with prayer by Rev. W. H. Moeller.

W. WILBUR KLOVER, Sec'y

SECOND SESSION, TUESDAY, APRIL 2, 1:30 P.M.

The Tuesday afternoon session of the synodical convention was opened with a devotional service by Dr. B. R. Lantz, the convention chaplain.

The Treasurer's report was presented and adopted.

The Auditor's report was read and filed as a part of the Treasurer's report.

Treasurer's Report for 1939

	Apportionment	Paid	Specials	Total
Abilene	$ 975.00	$ 450.00	$ 50.00	$ 500.00
Atchison	1115.00	990.26	27.50	1017.76
Beloit	350.00	148.20	10.00	158.20
Bendena	945.00	298.00		298.00
Bunker Hill	275.00			
Chapman	300.00	65.00		65.00
Cole Camp, Mo.,	415.00	215.41		215.41
Emporia	940.00	440.95	10.47	451.42
Eureka	870.00	231.71	74.78	306.49
Fort Smith, Ark.,	415.00	295.40	16.09	311.49
Glasco	720.00	255.00	15.00	270.00
Greenleaf Trinity	270.00	148.00	11.75	159.75
**Greenleaf St. Pauls	255.00	262.80	10.97	273.77
*Hays	600.00	600.00	7.59	607.59
Hutchinson	510.00	173.74	15.44	189.18
**Kansas City, Memorial	900.00	930.00	64.20	994.20
Kansas City, St. Marks	1300.00	967.22	38.65	1005.87
Kansas City, Trinity	790.00	429.95	58.55	488.50
Lancaster	450.00	87.50		87.50
Langdon, Mo.,	525.00	275.00	29.12	304.12
Lawrence	1450.00	1043.68	140.45	1184.13
Long Island	75.00			
New Cambria Peace	500.00			
N. Cambria St. Pauls	275.00	77.35	1.77	79.12
Norcator	215.00	5.00	7.21	12.21
Oklahoma City, Okla.,	970.00	910.92	191.10	1102.02
Peabody	685.00	164.20	13.60	177.80
Perth				
Rock Port, Mo.,	950.00	264.00	23.11	287.11
Salina	3885.00	1732.97	893.74	2626.71
Sedalia, Mo.,	475.00	262.28	9.65	271.93
*St. Joseph, Mo.,	2575.00	2575.00	161.13	2736.13
Topeka	1125.00	482.97	35.10	518.07
**Tulsa, Okla.,	800.00	805.47	100.00	905.47
Valley Falls	275.00	124.85		124.85
Waterville St. Marks	765.00	410.00	21.00	431.00
Waterville First	135.00	46.50		46.50
Wakeeney	305.00	158.00		158.00
**Wellington	225.00	231.25	28.06	259.31
**Wichita	1925.00	1927.00	29.07	1956.07
Wilson	280.00	105.58	8.42	114.00
	$30,800.00	$18,591.16	$2,103.52	$20,694.68

**Paid in full with excess
*Paid in full

Specials Itemized

Abilene
Tabitha Home $ 50.00

Atchison
Foreign Missions 4.91
Tabitha Home 22.59

Beloit
Midland College 10.00

Emporia
Foreign Missions 5.45
American Missions 5.02

Eureka
Midland College 12.00
Foreign Missions 10.30
American Missions 26.74
Lutheran Council 1.00
Tabitha Home 23.74
Ministerial Pensions 1.00

Fort Smith
Foreign Missions 4.09
Anniversary Appeal 12.00

Glasco
Anniversary Appeal 15.00

Greenleaf Trinity
Tabitha Home 11.75

Greenleaf St. Pauls

Tabitha Home	10.97
Tabitha Home	145.90
Anniversary Appeal	18.75
Foreign Missions	8.85
Lutheran Council	10.00

Peabody

Tabitha Home	13.60

Rock Port

Tabitha Home	23.11

Salina

Foreign Missions	22.63
American Missions	271.81
Lutheran Council	15.00
Midland College	450.00
Tabitha Home	134.30

Sedalia

Foreign Missions	9.65

St. Joseph

Foreign Missions	19.08
American Missions	22.15

Hays

Tabitha Home	7.59

Hutchinson

American Missions	15.44

Kansas City Ch. Memorial

Midland College	64.20

Kansas City St. Marks

Midland College	33.50
Foreign Missions	5.15

Kansas City Trinity

Foreign Missions	5.00
American Missions	28.05
Midland College	20.00
Tabitha Home	5.50

Langdon

Tabitha Home	29.12

Lawrence

Foreign Missions	5.45
Tabitha Home	125.00
Foreign Missions	10.00

New Cambria St. Pauls

Tabitha Home	1.77

Norcatur

Tabitha Home	7.21

Oklahoma City

Foreign Missions	7.60
Lutheran Council	18.95
Tabitha Home	100.95

Topeka

Tabitha Home	35.10

Tulsa

Midland College	100.00

Waterville St. Marks

Foreign Missions	6.00
Tabitha Home	15.00

Wellington

Foreign Missions	1.10
Tabitha Home	8.37
American Missions	18.59

Wichita

Foreign Missions	9.47
Tabitha Home	19.60

Wilson

Foreign Missions	2.31
Inner Missions	6.11

1938 Cash Balance Synodical Home Missions	$ 1,102.97	
1938 Cash Balance Ministerial Education	206.38	
1938 Cash Balance Inner Mission Fund	375.86	
1938 Cash Balance Synodical Deaconess	400.23	
1939 Apportionment	18,591.16	
Womens Missionary Society	50.00	
Convention Offerings	20.34	
Specials	2,103.52	$22,850.46

DISBURSEMENTS

Synodical Treasury	$ 1,801.22
Synodical Home Missions	1,232.15
Ministerial Education	400.00
Kansas Synod Lutheran	531.83
Midland College	2,728.20
United Lutheran Church	10,911.60
Tabitha Home	363.60
Synodical Treasury Overdrafts 1936-37-38	1,287.59

SPECIALS

Foreign Missions	137.04
Anniversary Appeal	45.75
Midland College	689.70
American Missions	387.80
Inner Missions	6.11
Luther League Kansas City Convention Offerings	23.41
Lutheran Council	44.75

Ministerial Pensions	1.00	
Tabitha Home	791.17	$21,382.92
		$ 1,467.54

1940 GENERAL FUND

Cash Balance Synodical Treasury	109.96	
Undistributed Apportionment	382.02	
Synodical Home Missions	429.72	
Ministerial Education	169.98	
Inner Missions	375.86	$ 1,467.54
February 16, 1940 Cash Balance, Citizens National Bank, Emporia, Kansas		$ 1,467.54

Louis T. Bang, Treasurer

Itemized Statement Synodical Treasury Disbursements

Balance 1938, Presidents Expense	20.00
1939 Presidents Expense	75.00
Traveling Expense to Harrisburg Meeting	33.95
Presidents Assistance	101.00
Secretary Expense	68.91
Treasurers Expense	25.00
Deaconess balance, 1938, Salary	195.00
Statistician Expenses	1903
Executive Meetings	133.14
Parish School	14.20
Midland Prospects	29.25
Salaries	100.00
Hutchinson Insurance	47.80
Special Meeting	7.00
Conference Expenses	7.80
Stewardship Committee	12.50
Office Supplies	10.34
Merger Meetings	80.33
Tabitha Home Trustees Expenses	56.68
Midland College Trustees Expenses	71.65
1939 Convention Expense	77.25
Printing Minutes	297.95
Promotion Program	7.50
Leadership Committee	4.50
Luther League	75.00
Children of the Church	3.28
Interest	50.00

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES OF THE EV. LUTHERAN SYNOD OF KANSAS AND ADJACENT STATES

Camp Property assets (See detail in Camp Report)			$13,545.00
Less Liabilities of Camp to Synod,			
Notes paid by Synod for bal. due on land,	$1,724.25		
Unused Apportionment (Field Secretary)	250.00		
Notes underwritten by Synod, in favor of,			
Mrs. Peterson	$500.00		
F. S. Reider	500.00		
Mrs. Grace Schulz	2000.00	$3,000.00	$4,974.25
Net Worth of Camp Washunga			$8,570.75
Cash on hand Kansas Synod (General Fund)			1,467.54
Net worth of the Synod of Kansas and Adjacent States			$10,038.29

Louis T. Bang, Treasurer

Report of the Auditing Committee for the Year Ending December 31, 1939

To the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Kansas & Adjacent States, in session at Atchison, Kansas, April 2, 1940:

We, the undersigned committee who examined the accounts of the treasurer, certify that we have examined the records of the treasurer, and find that at the close of business February 17, 1940, he had a cash balance on hand as shown by accompanying certificate of the Citizens National Bank, Emporia, Kansas, of $1,467.54.

Balance on hand per last year's Audit		$2,085.44
Less inter-fund overdrafts in budgeted funds		1,287.59
Net Balance		$ 797.85
Plus Receipts for year 1939		
Apportionment	$18,591.16	
Women's Missionary	50.00	
Convention offering (1939)	20.54	
Specials	2,103.52	
Net Receipts		20,765.22
Net Total to Account for		$21,563.07
Less Disbursements	$21,383.12	
Deducting previous inter-fund overdrafts covered	1,287.59	
Disbursements other than overdrafts		20,095.53
Balance on hand in Citizens National Bank, Emporia, Kansas, as of Feb. 17, 1940, per bank certificate		$ 1,467.54

We have also examined the records of Louis T. Bang, Treasurer of the Synodical Home Missions Funds. These records show total receipts and disbursements as follows:

Balance per last year's audit		$1,102.97
Receipts: Apportionment	$545.40	
Refund	13.50	558.90
		$1,661.87
Disbursements		1,232.15
Cash balance for end of year 1939, per Synodical treasurer's books		$ 429.72

Signed Wayne Easterday
Emer B. Hovland,
Auditing Committee

THE CITIZENS NATIONAL BANK
EMPORIA, KANSAS
FEBRUARY 17, 1940

To—
The Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Kansas
Atchison, Kansas

This is to advise that on February 17, 1940, there was a balance on hand in The Citizens National Bank of Emporia, Kansas, to the credit of Louis T. Bang, Treasurer, of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Kansas and Adjacent States, the sum of $1,467.54.

THE CITIZENS NATIONAL BANK OF
EMPORIA, KANSAS
By: J. H. Lutz, Ass't Cashier

1940 Apportionment
(Quota: $5.00 Per Communicant Member)

Congregation	Communing Membership	Total Apportionment
Abilene	$ 200	$1000
Atchison	340	1700
Beloit	83	415
Bendena	189	945
Bunker Hill - Zion	55	275
Bunker Hill - Wilson Ex.	61	305
Chapman	63	315
Emporia	188	940
Eureka	148	740
Fort Smith, Ark.	94	470
Glasco	114	570
Greenleaf, First	56	280
Greenleaf, St. Paul's	55	275
Hays	125	625
Hutchinson	139	695
Kansas City, Kans., Trinity	178	890
Kansas City, Mo., Children's Memorial	182	910
Kansas City, Mo., St. Mark's	260	1300
Lancaster	90	450
Langdon, Mo.,	113	565
Lawrence	328	1640
Long Island	15	75
New Cambria, St. Paul's	30	150
New Cambria, Peace	50	250
Norcatur	43	215
Oklahoma City, Okla.	278	1390
Peabody	136	680
Perth	30	150
Rockport, Mo.	228	1140
St. Joseph, Mo.	515	2575
Salina	711	3555
Sedalia, Mo., United	75	375
Sedalia, Mo., Trinity	84	420
Topeka	298	1490
Tulsa, Okla.	185	925
Valley Falls	62	310
Wakeeney	92	460
Waterville, St. Mark's	150	750
Waterville, First	30	150
Wellington	47	235
Wichita	392	1960
Totals	$6,512	$32,560

Mr. Louis T. Bang was authorized by unanimous vote to dispose of the Ottawa properties for the Synod of Kansas and Adjacent States.

The report of the Statistician was presented and accepted with appreciation.

Report of the Statistician for the Year 1939

Your parochial reports are timed to reach you about the tenth of January which is about the time you should complete your annual reports. Some of the reports were unusually late in coming in, which in turn held up my report.

Some of the best reports that came in were made up by the laymen. Most of you have laymen who could and would be glad to relieve you of that work.

Please use even dollars only when reporting. If fifty cents or less drop the cents but if over fifty cents add a dollar to your total.

A number of reports contained adjustments of membership downward. This elimination required courage as the resulting net totals tend to overshadow the accomplishments of the past year.

When you receive your parochial blank report some of the totals have already been inserted by your statistician. It will be appreciated if you will always return this copy as this helps your statistician as well as you.

Your statistician had the privilege of taking part in a school for statisticians at Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, December sixth and seventh, 1939. At this meeting plans were made to revise the present parochial report and a proposed manual for pastors and statisticians was discussed and revisions recommended. This manual and the new parochial reports will be out about the first of the year. These manuals will also be made available for study in the seminaries. We believe a great step forward is being made for better and more profitable reporting of the results of your work as reflected by figures.

Respectfully submitted,

Wayne Easterday, Statistician

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First Southern or Eastern Conference

Index Number	Parish (Location)	Congregation	When Organized	Pastor	PAROCHIAL																												Students			
					Congregations	Membership					Accessions						Losses					Official Church Papers**	Church Schools										Catechumens				
						Baptized	Confirmed	Communing	Contributing	Non-Member Adherents	Children				Adult		Children		Adult				Sunday				Week Day							Ministry	Diaconate	In Luth. Inst.	In Non-Luth. Inst
											Baptism	Otherwise	Baptism	Confirmation	Certificate	Otherwise	Death	Otherwise	Deaths	Certificate	Otherwise		Number	Officers and Teachers	Scholars	Home Dep't.	Cradle Roll	Number	Teachers	Scholars					
1	Emporia	St. Mark's	1884	O. W. Ebright	1	415	260	188	192		4			11		2		4	2	2	9	5	1	16	130			1	5	21	21				5
2	Eureka	Christ's	1873	R. R. Pfeiffer	1	359	270	148	96	40	5	5	3		6	4		1	3	10		3	1	10	80	8	11				9				12
3	Ft. Smith, Ark.	T. E. U. L.	1929	C. P. Karriker	1	196	153	94	77	20	4	1	1	7	5	7		2	1	1	8	2	1	16	96			1	17	77	7				
4	Hutchinson	Zion's	1888	Harrison	1	297	239	139	67	60	7		4		6				4	3	109	1	1	15	140		12				7				3
5	Okla. City, Okla.	First Lutheran	1902	Fred. H. Block	1	535	429	278	176	46	8	24		1	81	3		2	2	8	6	17	1	16	189		23	1	5	54	16				7
6	Perth	St. James	1887	Vacant	1	33	32	30																											
7	Peabody	St. Paul's	1877	K. de Freese	1	427	310	136	182	23	6		4	10	7			2		3		4	1	17	100	3	8				16				2
8	Tulsa, Okla.	First Lutheran	1909	Geo. Whittecar	1	594	441	185	125	130	24	5	2	1	18	14		1	1	18		12	1	24	232		30				15				8
9	Wellington	St. John's	1888	Ernest Tonsing	1	136	116	47	55	15	3			4	4	1			1	2		4	1	15	50	2	3				4				1
10	Wichita	St. Paul's	1909	E. E. Stauffer, D.D.	1	848	573	392	306	180	14	7	3	14	13	8		4	6	26	5		1	23	296	14	64	1	8	47				1	14
		Totals			10	3840	2824	1637	1276	514	75	42	17	48	140	39		16	20	73	137	48	9	152	1313	27	151	4	35	199	95			1	52

Second or Eastern or Topeka Conference

1	Atchison	St. Mark's	1868	S. A. Hamrick	1	725	532	340		18	19	49	12	18	23	126	31		5		1	18	1	48	335		31				16				7
2	Bendena	St. John's	1913	Robt. E. Gaston	1	407	269	189			7					6			2	4			1	22	185										5
3	K. C., Mo.	Child. Mem.	1884	J. A. McCulloch	1	494	265	182	176	25	4	1	3	5	7	1	1		1	4		18	1	28	148		23				17				7
4	K. C., Mo.	St. Mark's	1867	Andreas Bard	1	669	581	260	450	80	27	15		9	21	19		2	16	20		65	1	36	380		15				9	1			38
5	K. C., Kan.	Trinity	1902	W. Wilbur Klover	1	238	194	178	137	39	12	3	1	6	11	1			1		20	3	1	17	130		14				17			1	3
6	Lancaster	St. John's	1905	A. W. Malin	1	225	186	90		30	3	3	2	18	12				3	4	30	1	1	14	145	6	15	1	2	60	10	1			2
7	Lawrence	Trinity	1867	Vacant	1	931	684	328	438		40	16	46	27	39				2	5	3	4	1	37	407	14	48	1	6	110	73				38
8	Rock Port, Mo.	First Lutheran	1858	D. L. McConnell	1	474	323	228	312	229	9	23	16	5	19				4	1	6	3	1	14	173		47				34			1	4
9	Langdon, Mo.	St. Peter's	1871	D. L. McConnell	1	285	170	113	114	188	8		3	6	1			1	2	9		1	1	16	134		38				15				1

10	Sedalia, Mo.	C. C. United	1927	Paul L. Miller	1	164	121	75	....	10	4	....	....	1	....	....	....	2	2	....	....	4	1	11	65	....	4	1	4	31	1	....	....	....	....
11	Sedalia, Mo.	Trinity	1894	Paul L. Miller	1	182	138	84	114	7	2	4	....	1	....	9	....	2	....	2	....	1	1	10	76	....	....	1	5	40	10	....	....	2	....
12	St. Joseph, Mo.	First Eng. Luth	1894	Vacant	1	837	707	515	460	....	22	....	....	11	9	....	....	....	8	7	....	....	1	35	415	18	26	....	....	....	....	....	....	2	8
13	Topeka	First Lutheran	1867	Alfred J. Beil	1	407	345	298	270	100	13	23	17	43	17	2	....	3	2	7	....	6	1	34	160	....	15	1	8	25	60	....	....	1	5
14	Valley Falls	St. Paul's	1847	Max Gilmer	1	167	116	62	50	10	1	2	....	....	3	..	....	4	1	4	....	6	1	14	75	....	3	1	5	55	....	....	....	....	4
		Totals			14	6205	4631	2942	2521	736	171	139	100	150	162	164	32	14	49	67	60	130	14	336	2828	38	279	6	30	321	262	2	....	7	122

Third—Western or Salina Conference

1.	Abilene	Trinity	1870	Fuller Bergstresser	1	392	295	200	160	130	5	....	8	10	10	2	....	....	7	2	5	11	1	40	160	20	30	....	....	....	14	....	....	....	12
2	Beloit	Zion's	1886	Geo. W. Eller	1	163	118	83	76	46	6	2	....	....	1	2	1	....	1	1	....	2	1	10	53	....	6	....	....	....	5	....	....	....	1
3	Bunker Hill	Mt. Zion	1872	Norbert Zabel	1	100	72	55	55	10	8	1	1	19	3	....	....	5	2	3	....	1	1	9	65	....	6	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
4	Bunker Hill	Wilson-Excelsior	1886	Norbert Zabel	1	143	120	61	....	6	3	4	9	10	3	1	....	4	....	3	....	5	1	11	98	1	8	....	....	....	22	....	....	....	4
5	Chapman	Sherer Mem.	1889	G. K. Mykland	1	157	129	63	76	12	1	....	....	8	3	....	....	....	1	....	4	....	1	20	95	....	10	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	3
6	Greenleaf	Trinity	1882	Vacant	1	229	162	56	86	....	28	....	3	....	7	....	....	1	1	4	....	....	1	8	75	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
7	Greenleaf	St. Paul's	1888	Vacant	1	96	76	55	49	20	2	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	2	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
8	Glasco	St. Paul's	1877	Milton P. Engelhardt	1	253	189	114	90	40	4	....	....	....	2	....	....	....	5	1	....	1	1	15	106	....	....	....	....	....	12	1	....	1	3
9	Hays	Trinity	1878	Walter H. Moeller	1	240	192	125	90	10	8	8	5	8	10	4	....	8	2	13	10	....	1	18	98	2	11	....	....	....	5	....	....	....	18
10	Norcator	St. Mark's	1888	Vacant	1	127	83	43	45	79	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	6	1	11	54	....	10	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
11	Long Island	St. Paul's	1887	Vacant	1	56	29	15	12	15	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	1	3	25	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
12	New Cambria	St. Paul's	1874	E. H. Gilmer	1	114	84	30	40	20	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	1	1	11	80	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
13	New Cambria	Peace	1875	E. H. Gilmer	1	154	115	50	60	40	3	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	2	....	....	1	1	11	35	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
14	Salina	St. Johns	1873	Benj. R. Lantz	1	1531	1160	711	689	75	22	10	12	23	23	4	....	9	11	16	166	9	1	56	513	....	46	....	....	....	28	1	....	2	26
15	Waterville	St. Mark's	1871	George L. Search	1	361	269	150	119	50	1	2	2	3	4	....	....	....	5	1	....	2	1	14	110	....	....	....	....	....	5	1	....	1	8
16	Waterville	First	1878	George L. Search	1	78	58	30	35	....	1	....	....	2	....	....	....	1	2	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	3
17	Wakeeney	Bethlehem	1906	G. C. Schaub (supply)	1	252	173	92	50	25	15	26	3	15	16	....	1	....	1	....	....	....	1	18	127	....	30	1	6	50	12	....	....	....	1
		Totals			17	4446	3324	1933	1732	578	107	53	43	98	82	13	2	28	40	44	185	41	15	255	1694	23	157	1	6	50	97	3	....	4	79

Summary

Total—First—Southern or Wichita Conference					10	3840	2824	1637	1276	514	75	42	17	48	140	39	....	16	20	73	137	48	9	152	1313	27	151	4	35	199	95	....	....	1	52
Total—Second—Eastern or Topeka Conference					14	6205	4631	2942	2521	736	171	139	100	150	162	164	32	14	49	67	60	130	14	336	2828	38	279	6	30	321	262	2	....	7	122
Total—Third—Western or Salina Conference					17	4446	3324	1933	1732	578	107	53	43	98	82	13	2	28	40	44	185	41	15	255	1694	23	157	1	6	50	97	3	....	4	79
Synodical Totals					41	14491	10779	6512	5529	1828	353	234	160	296	384	216	34	58	109	184	382	219	38	743	5835	88	587	11	71	570	454	5	....	12	253

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1	1	8	3	64	1	9	20000	3500	.....	.....	.....	23500	3300	2612	577	3189	441	..	499	.....	3	10	36	87	136	577	3766
2	1	50	2	118	2	22	60000	50000	.....	.....	.....	65000	2000	2672	546	3218	232	..	638	.....	59	26	22	34	141	373	3591
3	.....	.....	1	23	3	58	14000	.....	.....	.....	.....	14000	4500	1771	.....	1771	295	..	120	10	.....	12	176	70	268	563	2334
4	.....	.....	2	46	2	34	40000	5000	.....	.....	.....	45000	8271	1270	638	1908	174	..	336	.....	44	15	.....	.....	59	233	2141
5	1	23	4	111	2	22	60000	5000	.....	.....	.....	65000	1500	4591	1169	5760	911	..	59	125	.....	29	164	321	639	1550	7310
6	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1500	800	.....	.....	.....	2300	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
7	.....	.....	4	102	3	108	50000	3500	.....	.....	.....	53500	.....	2641	519	3160	164	..	521	20	43	27	27	24	141	305	3465
8	1	25	3	90	3	73	38500	6500	.....	.....	.....	45000	4600	3806	764	4570	805	5	.....	100	37	.....	120	411	668	1473	6043
9	.....	.....	3	39	1	7	4000	3000	4000	.....	1255	12255	.....	1862	180	2042	231	6	.....	.....	.....	.....	28	70	98	329	2371
10	1	59	3	139	1	42	25500	9000	5600	.....	.....	40100	4025	4845	3459	8304	1927	2	.....	280	553	.....	193	201	1227	3154	11458
.....	5	165	25	732	18	375	313500	41300	9600	.....	1255	365655	28196	26070	7852	33922	5180	13	2173	535	739	119	766	1218	3377	8557	42479

Second or Eastern or Topeka Conference

1	1	39	2	65	4	103	50000	9000	.....	.....	1500	60500	.....	5398	698	6096	990	..	125	.....	145	10	72	.....	227	1217	7313
2	1	25	3	68	.....	.....	20000	3000	.....	1000	.....	24000	.....	1529	.....	1529	298	..	647	.....	128	.....	10	.....	138	436	1965
3	1	20	4	95	2	40	12000	4000	.....	.....	6492	22492	.....	3194	192	3386	930	30	.....	86	57	.....	378	326	847	1777	5163
4	1	45	6	344	3	149	197000	1000	2000	.....	.....	200000	24800	12509	5385	17894	967	..	333	50	125	70	299	233	777	1744	19638
5	1	25	3	58	3	56	55000	5000	.....	.....	.....	60000	37804	3585	1347	4932	430	..	360	20	6	34	.....	272	332	762	5694
6	1	70	2	72	2	60	5500	3500	.....	.....	.....	9000	.....	1414	105	1519	88	..	362	.....	28	.....	7	83	118	206	1725
7	1	75	6	259	4	115	102762	3500	2500	.....	2218	110980	15635	5642	2633	8275	1044	..	406	.....	334	130	25	.....	489	1533	9808
8	.....	.....	1	22	.....	.....	10000	5000	.....	.....	.....	15000	138	1457	1159	2616	264	..	686	.....	.....	.....	23	.....	23	287	2903
9	.....	.....	1	21	.....	.....	5000	.....	.....	.....	.....	5000	.....	1243	2329	3572	275	..	250	.....	.....	.....	14	.....	14	289	3861

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2	1	50	2	118	2	22	60000	50000				65000	2000	2672	546	3218	232		638		59	26	22	34	141	373	3591
3			1	23	3	58	14000					14000	4500	1771		1771	295		120	10		12	176	70	268	563	2334
4			2	46	2	34	40000	5000				45000	8271	1270	638	1908	174		336		44	15			59	233	2141
5	1	23	4	111	2	22	60000	5000				65000	1500	4591	1169	5760	911		59	125		29	164	321	639	1550	7310
6							1500	800				2300															
7			4	102	3	108	50000	3500				53500		2641	519	3160	164		521	20	43	27	27	24	141	305	3465
8	1	25	3	90	3	73	38500	6500				45000	4600	3806	764	4570	805	5		100	37		120	411	668	1473	6043
9			3	39	1	7	4000	3000	4000		1255	12255		1862	180	2042	231	6					28	70	98	329	2371
10	1	59	3	139	1	42	25500	9000	5600			40100	4025	4845	3459	8304	1927	2		280	553		193	201	1227	3154	11458
	5	165	25	732	18	375	313500	41300	9600		1255	365655	28196	26070	7852	33922	5180	13	2173	535	739	119	766	1218	3377	8557	42479

Second or Eastern or Topeka Conference

1	1	39	2	65	4	103	50000	9000			1500	60500		5398	698	6096	990		125		145	10	72		227	1217	7313
2	1	25	3	68			20000	3000		1000		24000		1529		1529	298		647		128		10		138	436	1965
3	1	20	4	95	2	40	12000	4000			6492	22492		3194	192	3386	930	30		86	57		378	326	847	1777	5163
4	1	45	6	344	3	149	197000	1000	2000			200000	24800	12509	5385	17894	967		333	50	125	70	299	233	777	1744	19638
5	1	25	3	58	3	56	55000	5000				60000	37804	3585	1347	4932	430		360	20	6	34		272	332	762	5694
6	1	70	2	72	2	60	5500	3500				9000		1414	105	1519	88		362		28		7	83	118	206	1725
7	1	75	6	259	4	115	102762	3500	2500		2218	110980	15635	5642	2633	8275	1044		406		334	130	25		489	1533	9808
8			1	22			10000	5000				15000	138	1457	1159	2616	264		686				23		23	287	2903
9			1	21			5000					5000		1243	2329	3572	275		250				14		14	289	3861

10			1	22			8000					8000	1900	1058	669	1727	215		200		10	10	20	6	46	261	1988
11			2	36			6000	4000			150	10150	1110	1227	365	1592	262		213		44	10	10	13	77	339	1931
12	1	35	3	151	2	43	90000	4000		400	5000	99400	500	7603	1690	9293	2575					5	132	293	430	3005	12298
13	1	50	4	118	3	80	43000				2400	45400	8500	4844	725	5569	483		642	18	35	15	61	84	213	696	6265
14			3	51	1	25	6000					6000	1200	1654	65	1719	125		150		19		3	68	90	215	1934
	9	384	41	1382	24	671	610262	42000	4500	1400	17760	675922	91587	52357	17362	69719	8946	30	4374	174	931	284	1054	1378	3821	12767	82486

Third—Western or Salina Conference

1	1	50	3	123	1	30	33500	8500				42000		4821	326	5147	450		525		299	7	97		403	853	6000
2			2	29	1	14	6000	3000			34	9034		730		730	148		202	10			11	42	63	211	941
3			1	32	1	25	5000	3000				8000	300	583	500	1083			275								1083
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Dr. J. C. Hershey, Fremont, Nebraska, President of the Nebraska Synod, was introduced and made an advisory member of the convention.

The Rev. K. Karstinson, Atchison, a retired pastor of the Missouri Synod, was introduced to the brethren of the convention by Rev. S. A. Hamrick.

The report of the Historian was presented and adopted.

Report of Synodical Historian

Your Historian has little of special interest to report. He has kept a file of all papers and clippings sent him of special events in the various congregations of the synod. He has received no historical accounts of congregations during the year. Again we request pastors to send histories of their congregations if they have not already done so. Again we urge that great care be taken in keeping and preserving the records of all auxiliaries organizations for future reference.

Your historian recommends that he be authorized to investigate the possibility of purchasing and preserving the oldest Lutheran church building in Kansas, located at Valley Falls and at present owned by the Methodist church.

Respectfully submitted,

E. E. Stauffer, Synodical Historian

The report of the Editor of the Kansas Synod Lutheran was adopted.

Kansas Synod Lutheran

The paper has been published monthly, except August, in accordance with the direction of the Synod. The editor has sought to make it newsy and interesting to the people of our churches as well as helpful in promoting the causes of the Synod and the United Lutheran Church. The printing and mailing has been done by the Tonsing Printery of Atchison. Mrs. Paul G. Tonsing has had full charge of the Women's Missionary department and Evan W. Tonsing of the Brotherhood column. The fine cooperation of the pastors and officers of the synod continues to make the regular publication of the paper possible.

George R. Whittecar, Editor

The report of the Reporter to "The Lutheran" was presented and adopted.

Report of the Reporter to "The Lutheran"

Six installments have been sent to "THE LUTHERAN," four "Sunflower Seeds" reports, and two special articles.

A special letter concerning "Church Paper Week" was mailed to all pastors, including lists of Lutheran subscribers.

THE LUTHERAN'S function as an "educational feature" in our congregations needs pastoral support.

Ernest Tonsing, Reporter.

Dr. Martin Schroeder, Lincoln, Nebraska, Rural Secretary for the Board of American Missions, was introduced and made an advisory member of the convention.

The report of the Eastern Conference was adopted.

Report of the Eastern Conference

The Eastern Conference met at Childrens' Memorial Church, Kansas City, Mo. Dr. J. A. McCulloch Pastor loci, November 9 and 10, 1939. A very instructive and inspiring program was presented by members of the conference. It was voted to hold a pre-lenten retreat sometime in January. Rev. Robert E. Gaston was elected president and Rev. Max Gilmer secretary-treasurer.

A pre-lenten retreat was held for pastors of The Eastern Conference at St. John's Church, Bendena, Kansas, Jan. 12. An instructive and helpful program was presented by members of the conference.

Respectfully,

Robert E. Gaston

The report of the Southern Conference was adopted.

Report of the Southern Conference

The Southern Conference of the Synod of Kansas and Adjacent States held its annual convention in St. Paul's Lutheran church, Wichita, October 29-30. Rev. E. E. Stauffer, D. D. pastor loci.

The Reformation address was delivered on Sunday evening by Dr. Philblad, president of Bethany College, Lindsborg, Kansas.

On Monday interesting papers and discussions by members of the conference comprised the program. The conference ended Monday evening by combining with the C. C. C. meeting at which Dr. F. Eppling Reinartz was the principal speaker.

K. de Freese, Secretary

The Report of the Western Conference was adopted as amended, item number two to read, "that we request the Synod of Kansas and Adjacent States to grant not more than $50.00 for speakers and publicity to make such a conference more valuable."

Report of the Western Conference

Meeting in connection with the Rural Work conference at Waterville, Kansas on September 18 and 19, 1939, the conference held a short meeting in which the following resolutions were passed:

1. Moved that we hold such rural work conference in 1941 to continue the good fellowship and understanding that has been found in this year's conference

2. Moved that we request the Synod of Kansas and Adjacent States to grant the sum of $50.00 for speakers and publicity to make such conference more valuable.

Since the officers of the conference are now elected at the Synodical convention no such elections were necessary at this time. We were able to greet two new pastors into our conference, the Rev. George Eller, Beloit, Kansas, and the Rev. M. P. Engelhardt, Glasco, Kansas.

Respectfully,

George L. Search, Secretary

The report of the Examining Committee was read as corrected, the last sentence being stricken in the original report.

Report of the Examining Committee

Your Examining Committee would report that it has received no applications for examination for ordination to the gospel ministry.

Respectfully submitted,
E. E. Stauffer, Chairman.

The report of the committee on Ministerial Education was presented and adopted including the recommendation.

Report of Committee On Ministerial Education

Your Committee on Ministerial Education submits the following report: The following young men have received aid during the past year: Mr. Paul Close, Mr. Wilford Henning, Mr. James Franklin Shirck. Recently we have had application for two other men both of whom are connected with churches in other Synods but owing to the inability of these Synods to give more men support have applied to your Committee for aid. The one is Mr. William Downey, member of the Iowa Synod, who asked for aid to the amount of $50.00 to see him through the second semester; a young man of fine personal appearance and possessed with a brilliant mind. The other Mr. William Eller who entered the college this semester. Mr. Eller is a man of mature age and considerable experience in business and church affairs. Your Committee has passed favorably on these two candidates. This is not the first time the Kansas Synod has assisted men from other Synods. In the past these men have justified the aid which they have received. One of the requirements made by the Committee in similar cases has been that they shall be ordained by the Kansas Synod, and second, that if there is a call to a church in our Synod they shall give it preference.

We recommend that your Committee be empowered to give financial aid to all worthy applicants, if in the judgment of the Committee aid is justifiable and the funds of the Synod warrant it, but that no aid be given to exceed $200.00, and further that the apportionment for this object for 1940 be 10c per communicant member.

Respectfully submitted,
E. E. Stauffer, Chairman.

The report on the Rural Work Conference was presented and adopted.

Report on the Rural Work Conference

In accordance with the vote of Synod (see page 58 of the Minutes for 1939), a Rural Work Conference was held at Waterville, Kansas, on September 18th and 19th, 1939. Ministers and laymen were present from Methodist and Congregational churches as well as from Kansas, Nebraska, and Midwest synods of ULCA. Speakers were: Rev. W. A. Winterstein, treasurer of the Iowa Christian Rural Fellowship; Rev. Martin Schroeder, Rural Work Representative of the Board of American Missions; Professor Harold Howe, department of Agriculture of the K.S.A.C., Manhattan, Kansas; Rev. Manley Mott, Wakefield, Kansas; Rev. J. Hershey, president of the Nebraska Synod; Rev. J. Wolf, Diller, Nebraska. Reports of the conference were not printed in the K.S.L., but a well written report was published in "THE LUTHERAN" under Rev. Schroeder's "Midwest Miscellanies."

Expenses of the conference:

Rev. W. A. Winterstein, speaker,	$20.00
Rev. J. Hershey, Speaker	7.50
Rev. Manley Mott, speaker	2.00
Harold Howe, speaker	2.50
Postage, other publicity,	5.20
	$37.20

Respectfully,

George L. Search

The following were elected to office during the afternoon session:

President, Dr. Andreas Bard, the ballot being made unanimous; Secretary, Rev. W. Wilbur Klover; Treasurer, Mr. Louis T. Bang, the ballot being unanimous; Lay Representatives on the Executive Committee: Western Conference, Mr. Charles A. Harkness, Jr., Greenleaf; Southern Conference, Mr. L. A. Swanson, Oklahoma City; Eastern Conference, Mr. Russell Keithline, Atchison; Historian, Dr. E. E. Stauffer; Statistician, Mr. Wayne Easterday, Topeka; Editor of the Kansas Synod Lutheran, Rev. Ernest Tonsing.

President Bard declared a brief recess preceeding the presentation of the Rural Church feature by Dr. Martin Schroeder.

The meeting adjourned with prayer.

W. Wilbur Klover, Sec'y

THE THIRD SESSION

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 3, 1940, 8:45 A.M.

The third session of the convention was opened with a devotional service under the direction of Chaplain Lantz.

The minutes for the Tuesday sessions of the convention were approved.

Rev. J. N. Marxen, Columbus, Nebraska, fraternal delegate of the Midwest Synod, was introduced and enrolled as an advisory member of the convention.

Dr. A. M. Ritzen, superintendent of Tabitha Home of Lincoln, Nebraska, and Dr. W. F. Rangeler, professor of Midland College and Western Theological Seminary of Fremont, Nebraska, were introduced and enrolled as advisory members of the convention.

The Report of Tabitha Home was presented, and Dr. Ritzen spoke concerning the Home and the financial campaign for funds with which to erect a main building.

The Report on Tabitha Home was adopted.

Tabitha Home Report

The year 1939 was a hard year for Tabitha. Bequests and cash receipts were very low. The ULCA has practically discontinued its support. The expenses, while held down to the very minimum, were still beyond our income.

During the year the usual activities were carried on. 67 aged and 66 children were cared for. There were seven deaths among the aged and one death among the children, which was the first death among the children in the history of Tabitha.

Preparations for the 1940 campaign were carried out according to schedule. On November 16 the scheduled meeting of synodical representatives was held at the Home with the Board. Fourteen synodical representatives, two representatives from Lincoln and nine board members were present. Buildings and property were examined. It was the unanimous decision of the committee that the new building was badly needed and final plans for the campaign were approved.

WHAT ABOUT THE FUTURE?

We cannot continue with an unbalanced budget.

In 1937 our income was $34,000 — disbursements $31,000.

In 1938 our income was $29,000 — disbursements $31,500, not including the new bus.

In 1939 our income was $25,500 — disbursements $29,860.

A careful analysis shows the greatest slump in receipts from the aged department and bequests. This slump was undoubtedly caused by the dwindling of savings of those admitted into the Home and this is not likely to improve. Donations and receipts from apportionment show a slight improvement and on these we must put our greatest dependence in the future.

We believe that crop conditions affect us materially, and with better conditions our income will increase. In 1940 our efforts will be directed mostly to the building fund and no doubt the current income will suffer. We must ask our congregations to bear this in mind and while they are doing their utmost to support the building fund yet our people must be fed and current expenses must be taken care of as well.

Respectfully submitted,

W. H. Guenther

D. L. McConnell

TABITHA HOME FINANCIAL REPORT

January 1, 1939 to December 31, 1939

Receipts:-

Aged Department	$ 6,746.87
Children's Department	1,552.62
District Synods Apportionment	3,323.38
Gifts	8,169.74
Bequests	1,195.60
United Lutheran Church	990.00
Lincoln Community Chest	2,730.82
Misc. Receipts & Refunds	287.24
Interest Received	338.98
Building Fund	207.93
	25,543.28
Borrowed from Building Fund	3,000.00
Balance Jan. 1, 1939	1,325.09
Total Monies	29,868.37
Disbursements	29,863.20
Balance, Dec. 31, 1939	5.17

Disbursements:-

Automobile Expenses	516.09
Clothing	124.33
Food	6,675.63
Fuel	2,022.14
Freight, Express, & Postage	119.50
Funeral Expenses	147.00
Hospital, Medical, Drugs	952.63
House Supplies	936.98
Interest	394.00
Insurance	655.87
Laundry	1,515.71
Light, Power & Gas	1,112.53
Miscellaneous Expenses	436.09
Printing	525.32
Repairs	1,986.77
Salaries	10,476.21
Taxes	153.24
Telephones	168.76
Travel: Supt. Board	240.34
Water	355.95
Yard Improvement	84.78
Aged Allowance & Insurance	55.40
Building Bund	207.93
Disbursements	29,863.20

Nebraska Synod

Apportionment	$1,675.75
Gifts	962.69
Total	2,638.44

Midwest Synod

Apportionment	613.87
Gifts	1,759.77
Total	2,473.64

Synod of Kansas & Adj. States

Apportionment	331.29

Gifts	1,754.22
Total	2,085.51
Synod of Iowa	
Apportionment	378.00
Gifts	527.16
Total	905.16
Rocky Mountain Synod	
Apportionment	171.10
Gifts	299.06
Total	470.16
Northwest Synod	
Apportionment	153.37
Wartburg Synod	
Gifts	334.12
Texas Synod	
Gifts	311.72
Owe to Building from	
1938	4,500.00
1939	3,000.00
Total Debit	7,500.00

Respectfully submitted,

E. Thomas, Treasurer

The Report on the Tabitha Home Promotional Work was adopted.

Report of Promotional Committee For Tabitha Home

Your Promotional Committee on Tabitha Home authorized at our last meeting of Synod and as at present constituted consists of Dr. E. E. Stauffer, Mr. Wm. Battersby and Mr. A. T. Olson. The first two members of the Committee attended a meeting on November 16, together with Committees from other Synods and the Board of Trustees of Tabitha, at which meeting plans for a campaign to raise $100,000.00 to erect a new building for the aged was considered. In this meeting it was stated that it would require $1.33 from every confirmed member in the supporting Synods to raise the desired amount. After extended discussion it was decided that the Committees representing the various Synods should make the allocation for each congregation on this basis. This would total for the Kansas Synod $13,702.97. The campaign for this fund is already going forward and each congregation has been notified from the offices at Lincoln as to the amount each congregation has been asked to raise. Your Committee stands ready to give hearty assistance in raising the above amount in our Synod and would urge that every pastor and congregation adopt such measures as may be necessary to raise the amount apportioned to each and that the solicitaion for these funds be made at the earliest possible date and if at all possible not later than June 1st of this year.

No further statement will be made now by this Committee inasmuch as a fuller statement no doubt will be made by our representatives on the Board of Trustees of Tabitha Home.

Respectfully submitted,

E. E. Stauffer, Chairman.

The following motion was adopted: THAT RULE NUMBER FIVE OF THE BY-LAWS UNDER COMMITTEES AND BOARDS BE SUSPENDED AS APPLIED TO REELECTION OF TABITHA HOME TRUSTEES IN ACCORDANCE WITH ARTICLE ELEVEN, SECTION 4, OF THE CONSTITUTION FOR ONE YEAR.

Mr. William H. Guenther was reelected as a lay trustee on the Tabitha Home board for a two-year term.

The convention voted that the month of June, 1940, be designated as TABITHA HOME MONTH, and that the Kansas Synod Lutheran devote sufficient space in the June issue and the preceding issues, as necessary, for promotional purposes.

Rev. G. Schrenk, pastor of the Evangelical Church of Atchison, was introduced.

The Necrology Report was adopted.

Necrology Report

In humble gratitude, your committee announces, that, this year there will be no "Memorial services."

The year 1939 has been a year of unusual history for Kansas Synod with its changes, its shifting and moving of pastors and its various vacancies. However, we acknowledge most gratefully, not once during the past year has Kansas Synod been veiled in mourning, because of death in our ranks.

May Synod deem this special favor of God deserving of our praise and gratitude. During our busy sessions of our body may we find a moment and pause a moment, thanking Almighty God for His merciful care during the past year.

May such expression of our appreciation and gratitude be our own renewed dedication of self and service to the new and tremendous task in the unexplored new year.

"Say it with flowers." We do that for our dead. But why wait? May every laborer in the vineyard, even in the far flung battle field of the Lord, have the assurance of Synod's concern and Synod's prayers. Such assurance has postponed more than one funeral.

In conclusion your committee suggests, that a word of greeting and cheer be sent to Synod's only octogenarian, Dr. A. B. Shrader (and wife). May these faithful workers of long service enjoy the thrill of the glory and beauty of their sunset in God's own western sky.

Respectfully submitted,

G. C. Schaub

The Report on the Constitution was adopted.

Report on the Constitution

Your Committee finds nothing to report at this time on the Constitution.

Respecfully submitted,

G. K. Mykland, Chairman

The report of the clerical roll was adopted as amended, this statement being added and applied to Brothers Johnson, Harshman, and Trauterman: "and furthermore they are engaged in secular work, in violation of the constitution."

Report of the Committee on the Clerical Roll

The Committee on Clerical Roll recommends that in the matter of the Executive Committee Report in the Minutes of the Oklahoma City Convention of 1938 (Recommendation 6, sections c and d, page 12), the following action be taken:

1. In regard to the Rev. E. C. Sibberson, his name might be retained on the roll, unless clear cause be given for its removal, (Recommendation c).

2. In regard to the persons named (Recommendation d) in the report, W. J. Boldt has been dismissed to another synod; G. P. Kirschke is deceased; the Rev. L. A. Harshman has received his letter of dismissal, and since the United Lutheran Church in America has dropped his name from its rolls, it is recommended that this synod do likewise; the Rev. F. C. Trauterman has consistently refused to answer correspondence from the secretary of synod, and therefore we recommend that his name be dropped from the roll; the Rev. H. E. Zimmerman has been dismissed to another synod; the Rev. A. V. Johnson should be dropped from the roll, inasmuch as he has not answered correspondence from this committee or the secretary of synod.

G. K. Mykland, Chairman
Robert Gaston
Ernest Tonsing

The business session was adjourned at 10:30 a.m. in favor of an address by Dr. M. R. Hamsher, official representative of the Executive Board of the United Lutheran Church in America.

At 11:30 a.m. President Andreas Bard introduced the convention's inspirational speaker, Dr. W. H. Traub, who addressed the convention on "The Living Christ."

The morning session was adjourned with prayer by Dr. Traub.

W. Wilbur Klover, Secretary

THE FOURTH SESSION

WEDNESDAY, April 3, 1940, 1:30 p.m.

The fourth session of the convention began at 1:30 p.m. Wednesday, April 3, 1940, with a devotional service conducted by Chaplain Lantz.

The convention voted to receive the Report on Last Year's Minutes after the Luther League report, or as soon thereafter as practical.

The Secretary was instructed to gather the telephone numbers of all the Pastors and publish the same in the printed minutes.

The Luther League Report was adopted including the recommendation.

Committee On Luther League

The past year has been a fruitful one for the young people of the synod, who seem to have a strong sense of unity in spite of being widely scattered. Several things, toward which we have been working for a number of years have contributed to this:—

1. A smooth working synodical Luther League organization with able and consecrated leadership among the young people themselves, who have been taking more and more responsibility for the direction of their own program.

2. The annual week's program at Camp Wa-Shun-Ga. The 1939 camp was attended by 150 registered young people and 19 leaders, the largest number ever registered for this program. Twenty parishes of the synod were represented.

3. A number of rallies, some including a few neighboring churches, several conference-wide, and one, a training school for local league officers, synod-wide in scope. This inter-change of fellowship among our young people is invaluable in developing their loyalty to their church and their sense of its unity and strength.

The synodical league is endeavoring to include in its fellowship and activities the young people of every parish in the synod. Some very fine contacts have been had in the past year with young people from Midwest synod churches located on our territory. There are no membership fees or apportionments except as the local leagues voluntarily set their own. This system of financing the synodical league has proven itself, after about five years' trial, to be a complete success. Since its adoption the synodical league has consistently shown a substantial balance in its treasury, more leagues than there-to-for have helped to support the general treasury, and the program of the league as a whole has been expanded. In 1939 the synodical league paid its dues to the Luther League of America in full, finished meeting its quota on the Konnarock missionary project, paid more than half of its apportionment for the 1939-41 missionary project and over paid its quota for the Luther League of America sustaining membership fund. It is to be noted that the league program is supported entirely by our young people with the exception of the Synod's grant of $75 for the annual summer camp program.

Following is a statement of receipts and expenditures for the 1939 camp:

Receipts		Expenditures	
Synod	$ 75	Camp fees for staff:	$116.65
Registration fees	146	Special Speaker	30.00
Other fees	8	Program expense	54.04
		Total expense	$200.69
		To league treasury	28.31
Total	229		$229.00

This was the first year that it was not necessary to draw upon the synodical league treasury to help meet the expenses of the program.

It is to be noted that Pastors Beil and Bloch are members of the executive committee of the Luther League of America, and that Pastor McGuire was chaplain of the annual convention of the Luther League of America at Long Beach, Calif., in July.

The league feels a severe loss in the removal of Pastor McGuire from the synod and from the executive committee. The Rev. S. A. Hamrick has been appointed to complete Pastor McGuire's unexpired term as ministerial advisor.

Recommendation: That the synod grant $75 to the synodical Luther League to assist with the 1940 camp-convention program expense.

Respecfully submitted,
George R. Whittecar, Chairman,

Treasurer's Report of the Luther League of Kansas and Adjacent States—1939

CURRENT FUND

Receipts

Balance at December 31, 1938	$ 46.16
Total Receipts during 1939	221.47
Total	$267.63

Disbursements

National Dues	$ 88.75
Traveling expense of Co. Members	58.40
Song Books for Camp	3.50
Postage, stationery and Literature	39.41
Total	190.06
Balance on Hand, December 31, 1939	$ 77.57

SUSTAINING MEMBERSHIP FUND

Balance at December 31, 1938	$ 00.00
Total receipts during 1939	53.23
Total	$ 53.23
Sent to National Fund	61.00
Deficit , December 31, 1939	$ 7.77

MISSIONARY OBJECTIVE

Balance at December 31, 1938	$ 8.00
Total receipts during 1939	173.15
Total	$181.15
Total paid to National Treasurer during '39	169.57
Balance on Hand December 31, 1939	$ 11.58

Submitted by,

C. Wilson Blackburn, Treasurer

The Report of the Committee on Last Year's Minutes was reviewed. The convention adopted the proposed amendments as per last year's action. See 1939 Minutes, page 59, under the report of the committee on Reference and Counsel.

The adopted amendments:

I Article Three, Section 1, Paragraph 2:

The term of the President shall be for two years, eligible to re-election of one term of two years. That of other officers shall be for one year or until their successors have been elected. They shall be eligible to re-election.'

II Article Five, Section 2, Home Missions Committee, Paragraphs 1, 2:

1. The Home Mission Committee of the Synod shall consist of the President of Synod, three ministers of the Synod and two laymen of the Synod. The pastor of a congregation indebteded to or being aided by the Synodical Committee of Home Missions or the Board of American Missions shall not be a member of this committee, unless he be the President of Synod; neither shall a layman from such a congregation be a member of this committee. Clerical members of this committee shall be elected by the Synod for a period of three years and the terms of their service shall be so arranged that one retires each year. Laymen of this committee shall be elected by the Synod for a term of two years. and the terms of their service shall be so arranged that one retires each year.
2. The Committee shall elect from its membership the officers necessary in the performance of its duties; and shall hold regular meetings as may be necessary, but at least quarterly; receive reports of all Home Mission Congregations and consider all applications for their aid and the needs of all missions and new fields on the Synodical territory, and report annually to the Synod.

Report of the Committee on Last Year's Minutes

Your Committee has carefully read the printed minutes of the 1939 synodical convention and calls the convention's attention to the following:

Page 52.

The Committee on synodical merger should report to the 1940 convention.

Page 58.

Report of the Committee on Reference and Counsel item 3, The Committee of three appointed by the president to study the report of The Committee on Constitutions, referring to the 1938 minutes, page 26, items "c" and "d" part 6 of the report of The Executive Committee, page 12 of the minutes of the 1938 Convention should report to The 1940 convention.

Page 59, item 5.

The petition filed relative to a change in the constitution regarding the length of the term of office of the president of synod should be presented to the 1940 convention for action.

Page 59, item 6.

The petition filed at the 1939 convention relative to the membership of The Home Mission Committee should be presented to the 1940 convention for action.

Respectfully,
Robert E. Gaston,
George W. Eller
Paul Luther Miller.

Since all items mentioned in this report were receiving proper consideration the convention accepted the report.

Dr. J. C. Hershey, president of the Nebraska Synod, brought fraternal greetings from his brethren.

The Report of the Committee on Parish and Church School was adopted with the recommendations.

Report of Parish and Church School Committee

This committee is composed of O. W. Ebright, chairman; R. R. Pfieffer, and K. de Freese.

We have endeavored to continue along the lines of the Five year program adopted by the Synod in 1937, i.e. the use of Lutheran Literature throughout the Church and Church School; Encourage Leadership Training in every Congregation; urge the holding of Vacation Bible Schools; and encourage efforts to institute the Home Altar in homes of our Congregation. We also are endeavoring to carry out suggested plans of our Parish and Church School Board, ie, gathering and disseminating among our pastors information and ideas on visual education; call attention and give information concerning Parish Education projects and be a point of contact between the Parish and Church School Board of our United Lutheran Church and the Pastors and Church School superintendents of our Synod.

As Leadership Training comes under the scope of this Committee the Leadership Training Camp of this last summer was a result of its instigation.

Since we have not had the opportunity to effectively carry through our plans we wish to humbly offer the following recommendation:

That the same members be appointed to this committee for the coming year.

Respecfully Submitted,
O. W. Ebright, chairman

The Report of the Children of the Church was adopted with the recommendations.

Report of Children of the Church Secretary

During the year, 1939, nineteen of the 41 congregations or groups listed on our Synodical roll have introduced the program of "The Children of the Church." A total of 600 children under twelve years of age, in our Synod, are being developed in a more effective life of Christian faith and love through this splendid program. There are 87 adults who have accepted the responsibility of leadership. Thirteen of the groups have sent an offering of $182.64 for the 18 objectives for which the Children are responsible. Nine groups held Children's Fall Festivals. Three congregations used this program for Vacation Bible School.

Every congregation in our Synod has been sent literature and information regarding this Program. It was presented in some form, at each Conference meeting. A Unit Study was given at the Leadership Training Camp in June. Nineteen children were enrolled in this study group. Plans are being made for the study of another unit at the camp this summer.

With regret, we report the necessity of canceling a visit to our Synod of the General Secretary of The Children of the Church because of conflict with Conferences of other groups. Since this is the year of the ULCA Convention, at which time this children's program will be "weighed in the balance," we have earnestly endeavored to interest the leaders of our Synod in greater support of the program that some general representative of this program might be present at the Convention to clarify the program, encourage and enlighten and inspire pastors and local leaders.

For this year of 1940 we recommend four things:

1. A more thorough study of the literature and units of study of this Program by pastors.

2. A definite program of prayer for the overcoming of local obstacles and the finding of leaders.

3. That the way may be cleared by other church groups, in the fall of this year, for the observance of Children's Festivals in conjunction with other programs.

4. That the Synodical Children of the Church Secretary and Treasurer be appointed each year at the time of Convention.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. O. W. Ebright, Synodical
Children of The Church Secretary

The report on the Youth and Leadership Camp was adopted.

Report of Leadership Training Camp Committee

Our first Leadership Training Camp was held at Wa-shun-ga June 25-30, 1939. It was for adults and for children up to and including intermediate age. Following is the record of attendance: Children under 9, 6; 9 to 11, 19; 12 and 13, 28; pastors, 18; women, 19; laymen, 2. Total, 92. Through the courtesy of the Camp Committee children between 9 and 13 were entertained at Camp for one half price; children under 9 at $1.50 for five days. We received from the churches of synod $96.50, with a private contribution of $5.00 total receipts being $101.50. The total expenses reported to the Executive Committee of Synod were $81.60, leaving a balance of $19.90.

On the closing day of the Camp last year suggestions were received for this year, which your committee is striving to carry out. The Executive Committee named O. W. Ebright as the Director for 1940 who together with Pastors R. R. Pfeiffer and S. A. Hamrick constitute the Leadership Training Camp Committee. This Committee, inviting to sit with it representatives of the Brotherhood, Missionary Society, Children of the Church, and the Camp Committee, in the person of Rev. Alfred Beil, has met to plan the program for 1940 which program we plan to present at this meeting of Synod. The Camp this year will be held as last year, the last week of June, ie, June 23-28.

Respectfully Submitted,

O. W. Ebright, Director

The Report of the Committee on Stewardship and Benevolence was considered. The convention adopted recommendations 1, 4, 5, 6, and 7. Recommendations 2 and 3 were lost. The report as amended was then adopted.

Report of the Stewardship and Benevolence Committee

Again we come to "give an account of our stewardship." We find that our gifts for Benevolence have declined during the year. The contribution for benevolence by the churches of Synod have decreased $1,851 during 1939. During last year we paid but 60 per cent of the $30,870 apportioned benevolence as over against 63 per cent in 1938. The special gifts dropped $2,291 during the year, leaving the totaled amount contributed during the year for both funds at $20,694 as over against $22,546 in 1938. These figures offer us a stirring challenge which we dare

not ignore. We congratulate the seven congregations that paid their benevolence in full. They are to be doubly honored for they were at the head of the list last year as well. Other congregations have raised their percentage and have shown real development in this vital respect. They too receive our commendation. For details in the further study of this standing we refer you to the article on Benevolence in the February number of the K.S.L.

Your committee has been in contact with each congregation during the year. Sixteen congregations have appointed Stewardship Secretaries to be the contact men in the local congregations. In the congregations where this appointment has not been done the local pastor has been the contact man for the congregation. Fruitful suggestions have been received from the Lutheran Laymen's Movement. These and many pieces of good stewardship material have been mailed to the local congregation at regular intervals. Letters have been supplied by the committee and articles have been written for the K.S.L. on Stewardship and the challenge of meeting the apportionment 100 per cent.

Recommendations

1. That monthly stewardship letters be prepared by the committee to be read at the regular council meeting of each congregation.
2. In order that the members of the congregations be informed of the work of the committee and become better acquainted with the various projects, that this stewardship letter be read at the church service by the stewardship secretary. **LOST**
3. That special efforts be made in all congregations to collect delinquent accounts. We believe that the Stewardship Secretary should assist, if not direct this work in the congregation. **LOST**
4. That the matter of bequests be reemphasized during the year and that the Stewardship Secretary be supplied with material and instructions in the presentation of this challenge before his congregation. Here is an opportunity for interested and consecrated laymen to study the financial needs of the local congregation and the benevolent needs of the Synod and the ULCA. Then to spread the information of these needs to the auxiliary organizations and the general membership of the congregation with the cooperation of the pastor.. This can be done through the distribution of literature, short talks, and the publication of such news items as might be of interest and importance.
5. That the Executive Committee of the ULCA be commended for the appointment of a Stewardship Committee which will assist the Synodical Committees in carrying out their stewardship objectives.
6. That "The Lutheran" be commended for the weekly stewardship column and its inspiration.
7. That our congregations all make a new and concerted effort to meet the apportionment in full for 1940.

Respectfully submitted,

F. H. Bloch
T. C. Forbes
Harry King

The Report on Work with Students was adopted.

Committee On Work With Students

The committee cooperated with the student secretary of the Women's Missionary society in making the annual student census in our synod for the board of education of the ULCA. Blanks were sent to pastors of 39 congregations, and 36 were returned. We found 240 students, of whom 229 were in non-Lutheran colleges, universities, and schools, and 11 in Lutheran institutions. One man was reported preparing for the ministry.

The committee recommends that the synod authorize the sending of the Kansas Synod Lutheran to the students listed in next fall's census as being in school away from home, the additional cost (estimated at from $15 to $20 for the school year) to be borne by the Synod.

George R. Whittecar

Dr. E. E. Stauffer was appointed to serve as chairman pro tem for the remainder of the session.

The Midland College report was adopted, including the recommendations.

Report of Synod's Trustees to Midland College and Western Theological Seminary

"UNLESS OUR TERRITORIES GIVE BETTER SUPPORT TO OUR LUTHERAN COLLEGES, WITHIN THE NEXT FIVE YEARS, ALL OF OUR UNITED LUTHERAN COLLEGES, WITH THE POSSIBLE EXCEPTION OF TWO, WILL BE RANKED AMONG THE NON-ACCREDITED COLLEGES OF THE LAND." This is the conviction of Dr. Gould Wickey, Executive Secretary of the Board of Education.

Midland is not now a member of the North-Central Association of Colleges, the accrediting agency on this territory. Since Midland is in the business of education, as well as Christian education, it must concern itself with educational standards as well as Christian convictions. The inability of Midland to meet the requirements of the N.C.A.C., has handicapped the college as an educational institution, and will continue to stalk like a ghost on guard, until Midland is received into the family of academically-recognized colleges.

While those distant from the college itself may cry "emphasize Christian" and forget the man-made systems of accrediting," as long as Midland remains an educational institution, it will be measured by educational standards—and always at our expense as Lutherans. The requirements for membership are not too high, but at the present time, are too high for Midland.

Among the needed rungs of the ladder that Midland must ascend, we mention but two. They are (1) Salary increases; and (2) library maintenance. Midland pays its teachers as much as can be afforded under present conditions. While here and there a pastor may rise to say "some of them earn more than ministers," let it be kept in mind that Midland's teachers are not to be compared with preachers, but with the teaching scale of educational institutions. Why some of them remain at Midland is an unsolved mystery. Men like the late Prof. Crouse feel "called" to the work and are satisfied with insufficient salaries. Many handicap the future of their careers and families by remaining at Midland. Many have faith that when conditions improve, they and their services will not be forgotten by the Church.

For this stewardship of life on the part of consecrated teachers, the Church should be grateful, but should not satisfy her conscience forever by offering "votes of thanks." The salary question also enters Midland in the inescapable vicious circle of personnel and salary. To operate a

school requires teachers of ability and scholarship, who are bolstered-up, academically speaking, by earned degrees. To secure these, more money must be offered, and lacking the funds, Midland is unable to attract some leaders whom it would like to list on its faculty. It is a hopeful thing, however, that President Wiegman has made it a goal to meet the pay-roll on time, but there are certain months of the year when tuition, and apportionment funds have been depleted, when meeting the payroll tries the soul of the administration.

The second rung, is the library. The NCAC will not be satisfied with Midland's method of stocking its library with the latest books. Midland's library, while better than many in Nebraska colleges, is still not good enough. It falls down, not on the present number of volumes, but on the insufficient funds with which to add to the volumes already on the shelves. The present system at Midland is to utilize the matriculation fee of each student and ear-mark it "for the library." A hundred new students, even at $10 each, would net only $1,000. This amount, when divided into many departments, reduces the quotas to ridiculously low totals. The result is inevitable, each department will get few books. AND, in running a school THE LATEST BOOKS are necessities.

Thus Midland College, competing in the field of education with schools that are tax-supported, faces its task undermanned, underpaid and under-privileged. But despite these handicaps, Midland College continues to serve the Church on this territory by majoring in the field of Christian Education for which it was founded. Midland is attempting to be positive here.

One of the biggest improvements at the college is the "Lutheranizing" of the chapel. An altar (the one formerly used at Ottawa, Kansas) has been set in place; the chapel seats have been arranged as to provide a center aisle.

Chapel talks by President Wiegman and by others selected by a special committee are meeting the needs of the student body at the chapel sessions. There is present a definite, positive Christian atmosphere on the campus.

The past Synodical year has been marked by many changes at the college. There has been a change in administration. The Rev. Fred C. Wiegman resigned his pastorate at Salem Lutheran, Fremont, to succeed Dr. H. F. Martin, who resigned. With typical energy and determination, President Wiegman began a program of "face-lifting" about the campus that has resulted in removal of former "eye-sores," unattractive features about rooms and landscape improvements on the campus. He quickly recognized the merits of the students persistent request for a Student-Union, and converted several rooms below the newly renovated President's apartments for this purpose. Here young men and women can visit, study or play games.

Further, President Wiegman has been responsible for changing the former system of book-keeping in the college office. A new chart of account has been put into effect, so as to put the accounting system into conformity with the set-up advised by the Financial Advisory Service of the American Council on Education, prompted by the Office of Education of the Department of the Interior. A special study is being made of the Endowment funds, to trace their sources and values, and to determine the legal uses to which the fund and their earnings can or dare not be put. The Board of Trustees was taken on a tour of inspection of all college-owned properties, so that the Board members know where their funds are invested in Fremont.

The College is now prepared to report that the **Golden Jubilee Fund** is closed. The incomes were as follows: To August 31, 1937, $1,735.03; to August 31, 1938, $11,052.64; to August 31, 1939, $3,564.69. Grand total:

$16,352.36. The expenses of the campaign were $7,815.49. The net receipts amounted to $8,536.87.

The balance sheet, (set up as mentioned above), for the fiscal year Sept. 1, '38 to August 31, 1939 shows: Current operating assets: $8,566.58; liabilities: $52,335.34. Accrued deficit: $34,787.13. Student Loan: assets, $1,726.83; liabilities, None. Surplus: $1,726.83. Endowment assets, $171,000.47; liabilities, $171,000.47. Plant assets, $424,969.64; liabilities $78,874.26. Surplus, $346,095.38. Special, assets: $3,153.54; liabilities, None. Surplus, $3,153.54. GRAND TOTALS: Assets, $575,572.76; liabilities, $268,365.77. Net worth: $307,206.99.

Midland's indebtedness is as follows: Notes payable: $12,245.00; accounts payable: $2,950.76; Taxes accrued: $519.22; Accrued payroll: $2,071.27; student deposits: $365.32; Seminary special funds: $761.77; Due to other funds: $33,844.30; bonds payable: $80,346.91. TOTAL: $99,260.25. The bonds are being paid off under a plan of amortization at the rate of $509 per month.

The Executive Committee of the Board has spent days examining the budget and paring down the items in the various departments. This economy, of course, cannot begin until the Fall of 1940 though certain phases of the reduced budget have been made effective with the present year. All department heads and other spending agents of the college have been notified of the limit to which they can go and have been further notified that the Board expects them to live within their budget.

The citizens of Fremont, as a mark of good-will to Midland, raised approximately $4,000 on the occasion of Wiegman's acceptance of the Presidency. An annual solicitation for funds, from Fremont businessmen, combined with a "combing for jobs" will be made. Fremont wants to make Midland a real success.

The college employs 29 persons, 16 on the faculty, 8 in administration, one in auxiliary enterprises, four on the Seminary faculty, who teach part-time in the college. The clerical help in the college offices has been reduced to a minimum. The student body consists of 276 persons.

Since the Synod of Kansas has been a main supporter of Midland since the days of its founding, it must remain loyal in the days that are ahead, when we all expect greater things under the leadership of President Wiegman.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. That pastors continue to pray for, and support their college as an integral part of the whole program of the whole church.

2. That the Synod continue the 75c per capita, and, at as early a date as possible, restore the 25c "cut" given some years ago.

3. That congregations encourage their sons and daughters to enroll at Midland as the logical climax of their Christian educational life.

4. That the Executive Committee of the Synod be instructed to work out a program of Midland promotion on the territory, that will result in "more students from our Synod at Midland."

Prepared by Rev. Charles A. Puls.

Dr. W. F. Rangeler was introduced and spoke concerning the college.

Dr. Rangeler stated that he was requested to extend greetings to the Kansas Synod from the Rocky Mountain Synod.

Dr. J. A. McCulloch was reelected as a clerical trustee of Midland College, his term to expire in 1942; while Dr. John F. Reinhardt was elected for a similar term, and to serve as Synod's lay representative.

The Report of the Committee on the President's Report was received and adopted; also the President's Report was adopted.

Committe on President's Report

Your committee on President's Report calls attention to the improved form of this report, giving a more vivid impression of the varied activities that claim the time and energy of the President.

We commend the President for his faithful and efficient discharge of these duties and for the kindly consideration he has shown the pastors and congregations under his care.

We recommend for adoption all four recommendations as presented in the President's Report.

Respectfully submitted,
Alfred J. Beil, Chairman

The afternoon session was adjourned with prayer by Dr. J. C. Hershey.

The Synodical Brotherhood met in convention beginning at 3:30 p.m., and the annual banquet was held in the Masonic Temple at 6:45 p.m., the accounts of these activities appearing in the Brotherhood department of the published minutes.

W. Wilbur Klover, Secretary

THE FIFTH SESSION

THURSDAY, APRIL 4, 1940, 8:45 A.M.

The fifth session of the convention began at 8:45 a.m. with a devotional service which was conducted by Chaplain Lantz, while Dr. W. H. Traub, the inspirational speaker for the convention, delivered the sermon.

The committee on the Secretary's Minutes reported that the record of the Wednesday sessions was in proper order.

The Report of the Merger Commission was presented and adopted, including the recommendations.

Report of the Merger Commission

Our report to the Synod on the prospects of merging the Synods on this territory into a "Midland" organization is substantially that which was presented at last year's convention. Many problems still exist which time and much patience will solve. Loyal sentiments become quite a reality, not to mention a few legal alliances like the Midwest Synod's affiliation with Lutheran Literary Board, and the properties of Martin Luther Seminary of Lincoln, and of Western Seminary of Fremont. Progress, however, is being made, and as evidence of this the proposed constitution has already been indorsed by the Midwest Synod. The Iowa group is passive toward the suggestion of the Executive Board of the United Lutheran Church on the merger proposition. The Nebraska and Kansas commissioners have labored together with the representatives of the Midwest Synod in a very congenial manner, meeting twice in January of this year. Following the recommendations we are submitting for Synod's information the proposed constitution which would likely become the governing instrument of the new Synod, provided that the interested Synods vote to merge when the time seems favorable for such action.

We recommend:

1. That the Synod of Kansas and Adjacent States authorize the continuance of a merger commission to confer with commissioners from other Synods as requested by the Executive Board of the United Lutheran Church, and to report at the the next convention.

2. That the present commissioners continue to represent this Synod for another year.

3. That for the sake of clarification and the elimination of passages in the by-laws of the proposed constitution which might be easily misunderstood, we favor the elimination of:

   a) "Article II—Of the Midwest Conference;"

   b) Paragraph "7", under "B", "Election of Delegates to the United Lutheran Church Conventions."

(EXPLANATION: Your commissioners feel that these two items would be the cause of much embarrassment and misunderstanding. Since the Midwest Synod has already endorsed the proposed constitution as the instrument for the merged Synods your representatives cannot act with any degree of certainty in adjusting this matter until this Synod grants such authority.)

PROPOSED CONSTITUTION

ARTICLE ONE
THE SYNOD

Section I — The Name

The name and title of the body organized under this Constitution shall be "The Midland Synod of the United Lutheran Church in America".

Section II — The Territory

The territory within which this Synod shall be organized and work shall be the territory within which the Merging Synods have been and now are working as constitutuent Synods of the United Lutheran Church in America, and such territory as may be assigned to the Synod or annexed thereto with the approval of the United Lutheran Church in America.

Section III — Affiliation

The Synod shall be a constituent Synod of the United Lutheran Church in America.

Section IV — The Doctrinal Basis

(a) This Synod receives and holds the canonical Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments as the inspired Word of God, and as the only infallible rule and standard of faith and practice, according to which all doctrines and teachers are to be judged.

(b) This Synod accepts the three ecumenical creeds—namely, the Apostles', the Nicene and the Athanasian—as important testimonies drawn from the Holy Scriptures, and rejects all errors which they condemn.

(c) This Synod receives and holds the Unaltered Augsburg Confession as a correct exhibition of the faith and doctrine of the Evangelical Lutheran Church, founded upon the Word of God; and acknowledges all churches that sincerely hold and faithfully confess the doctrine of the Unaltered Augsburg Confession to be entitled to the name of Evangelical Lutheran.

(d) This Synod recognizes the Apology of the Augsburg Confession, the Smalkald Articles, the Large and Small Catechisms of Luther and the Formula of Concord, as in the harmony of one and the same pure scriptural faith.

Section V — The Membership

1. All ministers and congregations now constituting the membership of the Merging Synods (viz. Iowa, Kansas, Nebraska, Midwest) shall, by virtue of their approval of the formation of the Midland Synod by the merging Synods, automatically become the Charter Members of the Midland Synod of the United Lutheran Church in America.

2. This Synod shall further consist of ministers and congregations in unity with the Doctrinal Basis in Section IV, received into membership as hereinafter provided.

3. Any Evangelical Lutheran Minister applying for admission and accepting this Constitution with its doctrinal basis may be received into membership in the order hereinafter provided.

4. Any congregation located within or contiguous to the natural bounds of the territory of this Synod may, upon approval of the Executive Board, be received into membership by a majority vote at any regular convention.

5. Every congregation shall be faithful to its obligation to this Synod in all matters of support, practice and church government.

6. Other members shall be such as are received by ordination, transfer, or as hereinafter provided.

Section VI — Object, Duties and Powers

In accordance with the doctrinal basis set forth in Section IV of this Article, and in full accord with the Constitution of The United Lutheran Church in America, this Body recognizes that all power in the Church belongs primarily and exclusively to our Lord Jesus Christ, the Head of the Church; and all just duties and powers exercised by the Church are committed to her for the furtherance of the Gospel through the Word and Sacraments.

Therefore this Body is organized

(a) To preserve and extend the pure teaching of the Gospel and the right administration of the Sacraments (Eph. 4: 5, 6; Augsburg Confession, Article VII).

(b) To conserve the unity of the true faith (Eph. 4: 3-16; I Cor. 1:10) to guard against any departure therefrom (Rom. 16: 17); and to strengthen the congregations in faith, in confession, and the promotion of the Kingdom of God.

(c) To give outward expression to the spiritual unity of Evangelical Lutheran Congregations, to cultivate co-operation among all Lutherans in the promotion of the general interests of the Church, and to develop and unfold the specific Lutheran principle and practice and make their strength effective

(d) To awaken, co-ordinate, and effectively direct and supervise the united energies of the congregations in such operations as the following:

1. The training of ministers and teachers to be witnesses of the Word; and the upbuilding, maintenance and strengthening of institutions for the promotion of such training.

2. The extension of the Kingdom of God by the support of Home, Foreign and Social Missions, under the administration and functions of the United Lutheran Church in America.

3. The proper regulation of the human externals of worship in the congregation and family, that the same, in character and administration, may be in keeping with the New Testament and the liberty of the Church, as well as the practice of The United Lutheran Church in America, unto the edification of the Body of Christ.

4. The creation and development of agencies to carry on all departments of work in co-operation with the Boards, Committees, and Agencies of The United Lutheran Church in America.

(e) To solicit and disburse funds, and to devise ways and means necessary for the purposes of the work defined in this Constitution.

(f) To ordain fit men to the holy office of the Ministry of the Gospel; and to suspend and depose those who dishonor it by false teaching, by insubordination or an unworthy or wicked life.

(g) To maintain discipline unto the fostering of holiness and fidelity in the ministry and people.

(h) To maintain a true connection and relation with the United Lutheran Church in America, and all its interests and obligations.

Section VII — Distribution of Functions and Powers

The exercise of the functions and powers of this Synod shall be distributed into three departments: 1. The Synod. 2. The Ministerium. 3. The Conferences.

ARTICLE TWO

Meetings

1. A regular meeting of the Synod shall be held annually at the time specified in the By-Laws.

2. Special meetings shall be called by the President upon the request of the Executive Board or the written request of one-fifth of the ministers; but no business shall be transacted at a special meeting except that specified in the call.

3. One-third of the ministers, with the lay delegates present, shall constitute a quorum.

4. Notice of the time and place of all meetings shall be given by the Secretary, by publication in the official organ of The United Lutheran Church in America, at least four weeks in advance for regular meetings, and two weeks for special meetings.

ARTICLE THREE

Section I — The Officers

1. The Officers of the Synod shall be a President, a Secretary or Secretaries, and a Treasurer. They shall be elected at regular meetings of the Synod. Ministers only shall be eligible to the offices of President and Secretary. For administrative purposes the Synod may from time to time elect and designate other officers additional to those named in this paragraph.

2. The term of office of the President and the Corporation Secretary shall be five years, with the provision, that in the first election under this Constitution the Secretary shall be elected for a term of only four years. They shall be eligible for election for not more than two consecutive terms. The Treasurer of the Synod and such other synodical officers as Synod may designate shall be eligible for an indefinite number of terms.

3. Should a vacancy occur in any of these offices, the Executive Board shall be empowered to fill the same until the next regular meeting of the Synod.

4. The officers shall be entitled to receive the necessary expenses incident to the duties imposed by their office, and such remuneration as the Synod may determine

5. The President and the Corporation Secretary, after one or more years incumbency of the office, upon the petition of one fourth of the membership of Synod, may be retired for cause, at any Annual Convention, by a two thirds vote of all members of Synod, and his successor may be elected forthwith.

Section II — The President

1. The term of the office of the President shall begin within ninety days after his election.

2. He shall give his entire time to the duties of his office and therefore, shall relinquish his parish or other remunerative office.

3. He shall exercise supervision over all ministers and congregations connected with the Synod, and over all agencies created by the the Synod for the prosecution of the general work of the Church.

4. He shall preside at all meetings of the Synod, or authorize some ministerial member of the Synod to preside, and it shall be his duty to see that the Constitution, By-Laws, and decisions of the Synod are duly obeyed, and its resolutions carried into effect.

5. He shall make pastoral visitation of the Churches to confer and advise with the pastors and people respecting the interests and work of the Church.

6. He shall ordain all accepted candidates for the ministerial office, and install the pastors of all congregations belonging to the Synod, or provide for and authorize their ordination and installation as the Synod may prescribe in its By-Laws.

7. When the execution of deeds or other instruments of writing is ordered by the Synod, or required by the Constitution, or becomes proper and necessary in carrying on the business of the corporation, the

President is authorized and empowered, in the name of Synod, to sign the same and to affix the corporate seal of the Synod.

8. He shall annually submit to the Synod a report of all his official acts, except matters of a pastoral or private character, together with such other information and recommendations as he may deem of importance.

9. He shall report, or shall cause the Presidents of the Conferences to report, to local civil authorities the status of men newly admitted to the ministry and of men who have demitted or been deposed from the ministry.

10. He shall, together with the Secretary of Synod, sign all orders on the Treasury of the Synod.

Section III — The Secretaries

1. There shall be a Secretary of the Synod as a corporation, who shall keep all official minutes of the Synod. The term of office of the corporation Secretary, and any other secretaries which Synod may elect, shall begin within 90 days after election.

2. The Secretary or Secretaries shall prepare and keep a correct register of the ministers belonging to the Synod, with the dates of their entrance into the ministry and places of residence; also a similar register of the congregations and the parishes connected with the Synod, with names of the pastors serving them and of the lay delegates appointed to represent them. Accurate and faithful records of all the proceedings of the Synod, the Ministerium and the Executive Board shall be kept by the Secretary or Secretaries, who shall have charge of the printing and distribution of the Minutes, as directed by the Synod, and such other duties as the Synod may from time to time direct.

3. The Secretary of the Corporation is authorized and empowered, in the name of the Synod, to attest all instruments of writing ordered by the Synod or required by the Constitution or necessary in carrying on the business of the Corporation, and signed and sealed by the President.

4. He shall, with the President of Synod, sign all orders on the Treasury of Synod.

5. He shall prepare, and have present at each Annual Convention, a book containing the Constitution and By-Laws wherein all candidates ordained and ministers received into membership with this Body shall subscribe their names.

6. At the beginning of each Annual Convention he shall report to the Synod, in writing, all items of unfinished business that may require attention.

7. At the conclusion of the Convention, after the papers and documents have been recorded, he shall classify all important papers and documents of the Synod and deposit them in the Archives, together with lists of what are so deposited. He shall place in the Archives a Proctocol copy, with proper corrections and insertions made, of the published minutes each year. He shall make an annual report of all such deposits and of his official acts to the Annual meeting.

8. He shall, by letter and notice in the official publications of the United Lutheran Church in America, give notice to all ministers and congregations of all regular and special meetings of the Synod, at least four weeks in advance, or as otherwise specified.

9. He shall send to pastors, and to secretaries of all vacant pastoral charges, blank forms for the enrolling of lay delegates to the meetings of Synod.

10. The Secretary shall perform the duties of the Archivist and shall be the custodian of the Archives.

The Archives of the Merging Synods shall be kept in a fire proof receptacle in such place as the Executive Board shall determine. Among them shall be preserved full sets of the printed minutes, files and filed books of the minutes of the Conference; all important letters, papers, documents, memorials, complaints, etc., together with copies of official answers and opinions, etc.

The Archives of the merging Synods shall be preserved with the Archives of this Synod and shall be considered a part thereof.

No papers or records belonging to the Archives shall be given away or loaned or destroyed by the Archivist except with the authority of the Executive Board of the Synod.

Every member of the Synod shall have free access to the Archives.

A copy of the printed minutes of the Synod, properly corrected and certified by the Executive Board, shall be filed in the Archives as the official Proctol of the meeting of the Synod.

Section IV — The Treasurer

1. The term of office of the Treasurer shall begin on the first day of the second month suceeding the month of his election.

2. The Treasurer shall have charge of all the moneys and accounts of the Synod, its deeds, mortgages, contracts, and evidences of claims and revenues, and of trust funds, except such as Synod may specially commit to other agents, holding the same at all times subject to the order of the Synod.

3. He shall receive and acknowledge all contributions, donations, legacies and bequests made to the Synod, collect all interest and income from invested funds, and pay all appropriations on orders signed by the President and Secretary of Synod.

4. He shall keep a regular account with each congregation of the Synod and from time to time during the synodical year, as directed by the Executive Board, inform the Council or Vestry of each congregation of the state of this account and prepare and submit at each regular convention of the Synod a tabular statement of such accounts for record and publication.

5. By and with the advice and consent of the Executive Board he shall make, change, or renew investments of funds owned or held in trust by the Synod; and be duly empowered, constituted and authorized as the attorney in fact for the Synod to satisfy of record any mortgages, judgments, notes or recorded evidence of indebtedness, and to assign and transfer any policies of insurance or other securities that may be held as collateral to such mortgages, loans or judgments.

6. He shall deposit regularly all moneys received for any account of the Synod, and make all investments, in the name of and to the use of the Synod.

7. On entering upon his office he shall give satisfactory bond to the Synod for the faithful performance of his duties, in such amount as the Executive Board shall determine, which bond shall be in the custody of the President. The bond fee shall be paid for by the Synod.

8. In addition to regular reports to the Executive Board, at each annual convention he shall render a full, detailed and accurate report to the Synod of all receipts and disbursements in his several accounts with a statement of the financial condition of the Synod and its apportioned obligations to the United Lutheran Church in America, which report shall be regularly audited and certified.

Section V — Secretary of Statistics

1. The Secretary of Statistics shall be elected for a term of one year and shall serve until the close of the next apportionment year.

2. He shall receive all parochial reports, tabulate and report them, according to the orders of the Synod and, at the direction of Synod, gather such other data as may be necessary for a complete statistical survey of the Synod.

ARTICLE FOUR

The Ministerium

1. The ordained ministers of the Synod shall constitute the Ministerium.

2. To the Ministerium shall belong the duty of passing upon and reporting to the Synod all applications for ordination or reception of ministers recommended by the Examining Committee; of examining and trying cases of heresy in doctrine, or teaching and preaching what is in conflict with the doctrinal basis set forth in Article One, Section IV; of hearing and trying, in executive session, cases in which appeal is granted by Synod from the findings of a Committee on Discipline; and of transacting such other business as the Synod may refer to it, except in the case of applicants for ordination or reception not approved by the Examining Committee, the Ministerium shall make report of its findings, which shall be subject to action by Synod.

3. A regular meeting of the Ministerium shall be held in connection with the annual convention of Synod, when the Examining Committee is prepared to report its recommendations in the matter of applicants for ordination or membership. Other sessions during the Annual Synodical Convention may be called by the President.

4. The Ministerium shall be subject to the rules of order governing a regular Synodical meeting; and one-third of the ministers belonging to Synod shall constitute a quorum.

ARTICLE FIVE

The Conferences

1. The Synods entering into the merger of this new Body, to-wit:
   United Lutheran Synod of Iowa, organized Sept. 3, 1855
   Ev. Lutheran Synod of Kansas & Adjacent States, organized Nov. 5, 1868
   Ev. Lutheran Synod of Nebraska, organized Sept. 1, 1871
   Ev. Lutheran Synod in the Midwest, organized July 24, 1890
shall constitute the District Conferences. Each District Conference (i.e. Merging Synod) may retain its Charter, Constitution and corporate existence as long as it deems necessary; However it shall exercise only such powers, rights and privileges as have not been granted to the Synod at the time of the Merger, and those which are not in conflict with the Constitution, By-Laws and rules of the Synod and the regulations of the United Lutheran Church in America.

2. It shall be the duty of each Conference to care for the interest and development of the Church upon its territory; to assist in carrying out the regulations and resolutions of the Synod; and to attend such other duties within its territory as may be assigned to it by the Synod.

3. Each Conference shall meet at least once in each year, and as many more times as circumstances may require. Special meetings may be called by the President of the Synod, the President of the Conference, or as may be otherwise determined by the Conference itself. One-third of the ministers belonging to the Conference, together with the lay dele-

gates present, shall constitute a quorum.

4. Each Conference shall annually elect a minister to be President, and such other officers as may be necessary for the transaction of its business.

5. The Conference may adopt for itself any rules and regulations not in conflict with the Constitution and By-Laws of the Synod or of the regulations and resolutions of The United Lutheran Church in America.

6. The President of the Synod shall have a voice and vote in meetings of each Conference.

7. The actions of a Conference shall at all times be subject to review by the Synod.

8. The President of each Conference shall make a written report, including an abstract of the proceedings of the Conference, stating also the condition and needs of the Church within its bounds, and shall transmit the same to the President of the Synod at such time before the annual meeting of the Synod as the Executive Board shall specify.

ARTICLE SIX

Elective Boards

Section I — The Executive Board

1. There shall be an Executive Board of the Synod consisting of the President, the Secretaries (English and German), the Treasurer, the Secretary of Statistics and the Presidents of the Conference, ex-officio, together with one layman to be elected each year by each Conference at its annual convention.

2. It shall be the duty of the Executive Board to represent the Synod and to carry out its resolutions; to attend to the business of the Synod ad interim; to co-ordinate the work of the executive departments; to supervise and provide effective agencies for the laying and collection of apportionments; to promote the interests of The United Lutheran Church in America and this Body's relation thereto; to receive reports of the work and needs of the several Boards, Committees, and executive Agencies of the Synod and to present a budget with apportionments to the annual convention; to fill vacancies not otherwise provided for; and perform such other work as may be delegated to it by Synod, to which it shall make full report of its acts.

3. It shall cause an annual examination to be made of all investments and securities held by the Synod, and report thereon; recommend all appropriations to be made by the Synod, and without its approval no appropriations shall be made, except by a three-fourths vote of the Synod.

4. It shall hold regular meetings during the interim as Synod may determine. Special meetings may be called by the President of Synod, or, in case of his death or removal, by the Secretary of the Corporation. A majority of the members present shall constitute a quorum.

5. It shall have power to appoint all necessary sub-committees from among its members. It shall also determine the amount of salary to be paid to any officer or agent of the Synod entitled thereto, when not otherwise determined, and shall make appropriations to meet its necessary expenses.

6. The lay members of the Board shall be entitled to the privileges of voice and vote at the synodical conventions.

7. The members of the Executive Board shall constitute the Board of Trustees of the Corporation for all legal purposes.

Section II — The Board of Home Missions

1. There shall be a Board of Home Missions to consist of the President of Synod, the Presidents of the Conferences, ex officio, together with one layman to be elected each year by each Conference at its annual convention.

2. The Board shall elect a Secretary and a Treasurer, and shall hold regular meetings as may be necessary (at least quarterly) to hear reports and consider all applications for aid and the needs of all missions and new fields on the synodical territory.

3. It shall supervise home missions on the territory of the Synod in co-operation with the appropriate Board of The United Lutheran Church in America. It shall confer with the representative or representatives of the said Board of The United Lutheran Church in America and with him or them, make a budget of necessary funds to be expended by the Board of American Missions on the synodical territory for the year, which budget shall be submitted for approval to the said Board of The United Lutheran Church in America.

4. The Board shall strive to foster and cultivate a missionary spirit among the congregations of the Synod.

5. The Board shall, upon the direction of Synod, nominate one or more Synodical Missionary Superintendents, to be elected by the Synod.

Section III — The Board of Foreign Missions

1. There shall be a Board of Foreign Missions to consist of the President of Synod, and two ministers and two laymen elected by the Synod.

2. The Board shall elect a President and a Secretary and shall hold such meetings as may be considered necessary.

3. The chief function of this Board shall be to co-operate with the Board of Foreign Missions of the United Lutheran Church to encourage in every parish of the Synod the desire to evangelize the world.

4. The Board shall render an annual report to the Synod.

Section IV — The Board of Social Missions

1. There shall be a Board of Social Missions to consist of the President of Synod, and two ministers and two laymen elected by the Synod.

2. This Board shall elect a President and Secretary and shall hold such meetings as may be considered necessary.

3. It shall be charged with the duty of making an annual survey of the Lutheran Social Mission interests on the territory of the Synod.

4. It shall cultivate ideals of social Missions in the hearts of the congregations of the Synod and keep the Synod fully informed on the progress of the cause in regular annual reports.

Section V — Board of Trustees of Midland Seminary

1. This Synod, in co-operation with such other Synods as may be interested, shall support a seminary, to be known as the "Midland Seminary" for the training of men for the ministry.

2. There shall be a Board of Trustees of Midland Seminary consisting of two representatives from each Conference, one of whom shall be a layman (i.e., Conference is the name used for each Synod participating in the merger), two representatives from each other Synod supporting the Seminary, and two representatives appointed by the Board of Education of the United Lutheran Church in America.

3. The Board members, except the appointees of the Board of Education of the United Lutheran Church in America, shall be chosen by the respective Conferences and Synods, which they represent. They

shall hold office for such terms as their Synods may determine. They shall be eligible to succeed themselves.

4. It shall be the duty of this Board to administer, supervise, and control the affairs of the Midwest Seminary. It shall set up its own constitution and rules of operation, which must be ratified by the Synod and the Board of Education of the United Lutheran Church in America.

5. It shall be incorporated. The Board shall elect its own officers.

Section VI — Trustees of Midland College

We suggest that the College continue under the rules and regulations as practiced heretofore, with such changes as are made necessary by the proposed Section on the Board of Trustees of Midland Seminary and by proposals in the By-Laws.

Section VII — Trustees of Tabitha Home

We suggest that the Trustees of Tabitha Home continue under the rules and regulations as practiced heretofore with such changes as are made necessary by the adoption of this Constitution.

ARTICLE SEVEN

Standing Committees

Section I— Committee of Presidents

1. This Committee shall consist of the President of the Synod, who shall be its Chairman, and the Presidents of the Conferences.

2. The duty of this committee shall be to advise with and assist the President of Synod in the discharge of the duties of his office; to confer with him concerning the causes of the Church on the territory of the respective Conferences, and to consider and advise with him concerning resolutions and causes of the United Lutheran Church in America to make the same effective in the congregations of the Synod; and to act upon such other matters as may be referred to it from time to time by the Synod.

3. This Committee shall make a record of all pastoral installations, cornerstone layings, dedications of Churches, etc., etc., together with proper memoirs of ministers of the Synod deceased during the year; and report the same and all its actions to the annual convention of the Synod.

Section II — Committee on Ministerial Education

1. This Committee shall consist of the President of the Synod, and an equal number of ministers and laymen to be appointed annually by the Executive Board.

2. It shall be the duty of this commitee to devise ways and means to encourage young men to prepare for the Ministry of the Gospel; to disburse such funds as the Synod shall appropriate or as may be granted by the Board of Education of the United Lutheran Church in America for the assistance of Students for the Ministry.

3. The Committee shall decide upon all applications for aid from the Synod made by the candidates for the ministry, and shall, in accordance with the regulations prescribed or approved by the Synod, have direction of the studies and oversight of the conduct and progress of those receiving aid in preparing for the service of the Church.

4. The Committee shall present annually to the Executive Board of the Synod for incorparation in the budget of the Synod the amount which in the judgment of the Committee, shall be needed in carrying out its work; and further the Committee may request the inclusion of a certain amount in this appropriation for use as an emergency fund in case of special need.

Section III — The Examining Committee

1. This committee shall consist of not less than six ordained ministers of Synod, who shall be appointed by the Executive Board of Synod for a term of three years, in such manner that the terms of at least two members shall expire each year. No member shall be reappointed until a year shall have expired after the completion of his term of service.

2. It shall be the duty of this Committee to examine into the qualifications of all applicants for ordination and admission into the Synod, as provided in Article Eight, Section I.

3. This Committee shall report to the Ministerium and shall recommend such applicants as shall satisfy the provisions of Article Eight, Section I, but a two-thirds vote of the members of the Committee present shall be necessary for recommendation.

ARTICLE EIGHT

The Reception of Members

Section I — Ministers

1. All applications for ordination or for reception into the Synod shall be made to the President and referred by him to the Examining Committee, which shall report on the same to the Ministerium; and upon the recommendation of a two-thirds vote of the Ministerium, the final decision shall be made by the Synod.

2. Every minister received into the Synod and every candidate who is ordained shall sign this Constitution upon admission into membership.

A. Applicants for Ordination

1. The examination of candidates for ordination shall be open to all members of the Synod. It shall test the general fitness of each applicant for the office of the Ministry, his reasons for seeking the office, his theological attainments, his acceptance of these standards prescribed in Article One, Section IV, and his loyal appreciation of the organization and work of the Synod and of the United Lutheran Church in America.

2. Applicants for ordination shall present to the Examining Committee a satisfactory written testimonial of Christian life and character and also of the course pursued in theological study.

3. Every candidate to be ordained by the Synod shall be at least twenty-one years of age, and shall exhibit satisfactory evidence to the Examining Committee that he has received a regular call from a congregation, a Synod or a Church Board, to a specific field of ministerial labor, and that he has accepted such a call upon the condition of his approval by the Synod.

4. A candidate who has not received and accepted a call may present himself for examination, and if approved by the Examining Committee, he may be favorably reported by the Ministerium and recommended to the Synod for ordination—which shall take place when he shall have submitted satisfactory evidence to the President that he has received and accepted a regular call, and shall have given assurance of his acceptance of the provisions of the Constitution, especially Article One, Section IV.

B. Of Ordained Ministers

1. Any regularly ordained minister of a constituent Synod of The United Lutheran Church in America, applying for admission into the Synod, shall furnish evidence of his ordination and Christian character, together with a letter of dismissal issued by the Synod from which he comes; he shall present himself to the Examining Committee; and if, on

favorable report of said Committee to the Ministerium, two-thirds of the ministers present approve, he shall be recommended to the Synod for reception.

2. Any regularly ordained minister of the Evangelical Lutheran Church, belonging to a Synod not constituent of the United Lutheran Church in America, who may apply for admission into the Synod, shall furnish satisfactory evidence of his ordination and of his Christian character, together with a letter of dismissal or testimonial of good standing issued by the body from which he comes; he shall also be subject to a colloquium with the Examining Committee as to his acceptance of the standards prescribed in Article One, Section IV, and his loyal appreciation of the organization and work of the Synod and of The United Lutheran Church in America; and if, on favorable report from the Examining Committee to the Ministerium, two-thirds of the ministers present approve, he shall be recommended to the Synod for reception.

3. A minister coming from an Ecclesiastical Body other than the Lutheran shall, with his application for membership, present satisfactory evidence of his ordination and his Christian character, as well as his good standing in the Body with which he was formerly connected. His application and testimonials shall be referred to the Examining Committee, who, in colloquium with the applicant, shall ascertain his knowledge and acceptance of the Lutheran doctrine and practice, especially the doctrinal basis and usages of this Synod and of The United Lutheran Church in America. If such examination warrant, the Examining Committee shall, in each instance, recommend to the Ministerium the action to be taken including confirmation and re-ordination if it sees fit; and if, on favorable report of the Committee, two-thirds of the ministers present and voting shall approve, he shall be recommended to the Synod for reception.

Sesction II — Reception of Congregations

1. A congregation desiring admission to the Synod shall place in the hands of the President a formal application signed by the Secretary of the Church Council and by the pastor, and shall send a representative to the meeting of the Synod; it shall submit a copy of its Constitution, and of its Charter, if incorporated. If these are in accord with the requirements of the Constitution of the Synod, the congregation may be received into membership by a majority vote of the Synod at any meeting. Contemplated changes of its Constitution, affecting its articles of faith, adherence to the Synod and The United Lutheran Church in America, and disposition of its property, shall be reported to the President of the Synod for his approval.

2. Congregations not affiliated with a Synod at the time of the Merger shall be expected to become members of that Conference with which they have been most closely related. Other congregations, not before related to any former Synod, shall be a member of such Conference as Synod may determine.

ARTICLE NINE

Ministers

1. Ministerial members of the Synod are those who have become such by ordination or by reception from another Synod in accordance with Article Eight of this Constitution. Their membership shall cease only by death, by regular transfer and reception into another Synod, or by process under Article Thirteen. They become pastors by being regularly called to serve a congregation or pastoral charge of the Synod, and after their installation as such upon the approval of the President of the Synod.

2. In addition to pastors of congregations the Synod may include and continue upon its ministerial roll such who, although without a pastoral charge, hold educational, executive, missionary or editorial offices to which they have been appointed by the Synod or by the United Lutheran Church in America or any of its regularly constituted Boards which are recognized as competent to make such appointments, and such other ordained Lutheran ministers engaged in extra parochial work of the Church, as have been elected to membership by the Synod upon recommendation by the Examining Committee.

3. Every minister shall conform his preaching, and teaching, to the doctrinal basis set forth in Article One, Section IV.

4. Every pastor shall preach the Word, administer the Sacraments, conform the manner of conducting public worship to the accepted practice of The United Lutheran Church in America, using such books of worship and instruction as have been accepted and approved by The United Lutheran Church in America; he shall care for the people under his pastorate as individuals and as congregations in common faith and harmonious interest with all other members and congregations of The United Lutheran Church in America; give catechetical instruction regularly; confirm, perform the marriage ceremony in accordance with the laws of God and of the State; visit and minister to the sick and infirm; bury the dead; install regularly elected members of the Church Council, and, with the Council, administer discipline; supervise all schools and auxiliary organizations of the congregation, and promote the upbuilding of the Kingdom of our Lord Jesus Christ in the community, in the homeland and abroad. He shall seek out and encourage young men having proper natural gifts and qualifications to prepare for ordination to the Holy Ministry of the Gospel; co-operate with the agencies and officers of Conference and Synod in every way to educate the people to increase their liberality for the causes of benevolence recommended by the Synod or supported by The United Lutheran Church in America; and shall use his best endeavor to stimulate piety in the individual and family life of the people, as well as a knowledge of the Church and her work by the circulation of the literature of the Church.

5. The pastor shall keep accurate parochial records of baptisms, confirmations, members received by transfer or profession of faith, members dismissed, deceased or excommunicated, together with a roster of all communicant members of his charge, keeping the record of each congregation in a pastoral charge in a separate book, which shall be the property of the congregation; and shall annually report an accurate abstract of these statistics to the Synod or to an official appointed by the Synod for that purpose, for publication in a Synodical table of parochial reports.

6. No minister shall preach or perform any ministerial act within the pastorate or pastoral charge of a brother minister, except upon his request or with his consent; nor shall he visit and preach or perform ministeral acts in a vacant charge or congregation except upon formal invitation of the Church Council, or the consent or appointment of the President of the Synod.

7. Should a minister belonging to this Synod find himself constrained to demit the regular duties of the ministry, his name shall be continued upon the roll as a member; but if he engages in any business or office incompatible with the nature of the Holy Office of the Ministry, such act shall be sufficient reason why the Synod, upon recommendation of the Ministerium, should strike his name from its membership roll. In this connection the Committee of Presidents is charged to report annually to the Ministerium for consideration and reference a full list of all others than superannuated or physically incapacitated ministers on the roll who for a period of two or more years have not been engaged in

regular ministerial work as defined in paragraphs 1 and 2 of this Section, and the Ministerium shall decide when the name of a disengaged minister is to be recommended to the Synod to be dropped from the roll of members.

8. If any minister in good and regular standing in the Synod enters a field of labor within some Synod in the same fellowship of faith with this Synod, he shall upon application to the President, be entitled to, and the President shall furnish him with, a certificate of honorable dismissal; but until formally received into the membership of the Synod to which he has been dismissed he shall be fully amenable to this Synod.

9. It shall be the duty of every pastor, when members of his congregation or pastoral charge remove into the bounds of another, to urge such members to connect themselves with the congregation into whose territory they have removed; to immediately notify the pastor of said pastoral charge of such removal; and, upon application, to furnish certificates of transfer to such as are entitled to the same.

10. When the Synod deems that loyalty to the Word of God requires it, it shall advise, admonish, and exercise discipline concerning the association and affiliation of its ministers with non-ecclesiastical and other organizations whose principles or practices the Synod shall deem to be inconsistent with full loyalty to the Christian Church. (See Constitution of The United Lutheran Church in America, Article VIII, Section 6.)

11. All ministers of the Synod shall attend all meetings of the Synod, the Ministerium, and the Conference to which they belong. In case of unavoidable absence, the absentee shall send to the secretary an excuse for his absence; and nothing shall be regarded as a valid excuse except urgent necessity and positive inability to attend. Repeated absence without valid excuse shall subject the absentee to discipline.

ARTICLE TEN

The Congregations

1. It shall be the duty of the Church Council or Councils of every pastoral charge belonging to the Synod to appoint annually from its communicant members in good standing a lay delegate who shall represent the charge at all meetings of Synod and of Conference, and submit his report to the parish; and the congregation or pastoral charge shall arrange to pay his and their pastor's regular expenses to be in full attendance upon such meetings. It shall also appoint an alternate to take the place of the regular delegate in his absence.

2. Every congregation belonging to the Synod, as it has a share in all its acts and supervision, shall comply with the Constitution, By-Laws, decisions and recommendations of the Synod and local Conference, and conform its public worship and ministrations to the order by The United Lutheran Church in America and approved by the Synod. It shall observe and make systematic effort to meet at least the apportioned amount of contributions to the treasury of the Synod, and afford to all its members a regular channel of contribution for the benevolent operations of the Church, the minimum amount being indicated by a budget of apportionments by Synod to the congregation. It shall make earnest effort to pay such amounts into the Synodical Treasury in monthly installments. It shall make due and liberal provision for the Ministration of the Word and Sacraments, endeavor to hold at least one service every Lord's Day and see that the pastor is properly supported; and make all necessary provision for the promotion of piety in its families and for the Christian training of the young.

3. In cases of vacancy, difficulty or strife in a congregation, the Church Council shall seek the advice and instruction of the President of the Synod.

4. In cases of strife and division, should any part of a congregation belonging to the Synod reject the faith set forth in Article One, Section IV, or revolt against the Constitutional provisions or its obligations as a member of the Synod, that part of the congregation, whether majority or minority, of its membership, which continues in unity with the Synod and its faith shall be recognized as the lawful congregation.

5. No congregation shall make any enactments in conflict with this Constitution or with the accepted regulations of The United Lutheran Church in America.

6. Should a pastor resign, the Church Council shall receive the letter of resignation and refer the same to the congregation for its action; and at once report the fact to the President of the Synod.

ARTICLE ELEVEN

Of Official Relation of Pastors and Parishes

1. The regular call of a congregation when accepted by a properly qualified pastor shall constitute a permanent relationship which shall be terminated only in the following ways:

a) By the death of the pastor or by the dissolution of the congregation.

b) By the resignation of the pastor.

c) By the disqualification of the pastor through discipline.

d) By the division of parishes, when there is not a vacancy in which event the pastor, in case he does not resign all the congregations involved, shall in consultation with and with the approval of the President of Synod, resign one or more congregations and continue as pastor of the remaining congregation or congregations.

e) By the physical and mental disability of the pastor.

f) By continued neglect of duty.

g) By the inability to conduct the pastoral office efficiently in that parish through local conditions and without reflection on the moral and spiritual character of the pastor.

2. In the three contingencies (e, f, g) it shall be the duty of the President of the Synod, when such difficulties are personally known to him or have been brought to his attention by the President of the Conference, by an official recital of allegations by the Church Council or by a petition signed by at least two-thirds of the communing members, to investigate such conditions in person in conjunction with a disinterested committee of two ministers and one layman from the Conference to which the party belongs.

In the case of physical or mental disability (e), competent medical testimony shall be secured and in case of evident disability the President of the Synod and the Committee shall declare the Parish vacant. The right to appeal to the Ministerium however, is always reserved, provided such appeal is made within one year, and if made, the question shall be decided by a two-thirds vote of the Ministerium.

In the case of neglect (f) or of local difficulties (g) which imperil the efficient conduct of the congregation, all those concerned shall be heard and the President together with the Committee shall decide on a course of action to be recommended to the pastor and the parish. If both agree to carry out such recommendations no further actions shall be taken. If either party fails to assent, the matter shall be reported to the Ministerium and its action, which shall be based on the evidence submitted, shall be final when passed by not less than two-thirds vote of the Ministerium and approval by the Synod. In any case this shall not be regarded as an act of discipline, but as an act of expediency based on the principles of Christian love.

The foregoing procedure shall never be invoked when questions of

doctrine or immorality are involved, all such cases being cared for by the section on discipline.

ARTICLE TWELVE

Vacancies in Congregations

a) When a vacancy in a pastorate occurs in a parish the Church Council shall immediately notify the President of the Synod, who shall call a Conference to be attended by the President of the Synod, the President of the Conference of which the vacant parish is a member, or someone appointed by him, and the Church Council of the vacant parish.

b) In the consideration of candidates for the vacancy, no more than three persons may be considered at one time. The suggestion of names for the filling of vacancies must be made through the President of Synod and the President of the Conference, to which the vacant parish belongs, and shall not be made directly to the parish. One of these may be suggested by the President of the Conference, one by the Church Council, one by the President of the Synod. However the President of Synod shall nominate only such names to the Midwest Conference, as are linguistically qualified to serve the congregation in question and as will be received into the Midwest Conference under the provisions of Article II of the By-Laws.

However the President of Synod may refer this matter entirely to the President of the Conference concerned; or at the request of the Church Council and the President of the Conference, the President of Synod may name all three.

c) After the three nominees, provided as above directed, have been considered by the Committee of the Congregation appointed by the Church Council, the Committee of the Congregation shall recommend to the congregation the name of the one they consider most desirable,—if considered desirable, making provision for the pastor favored to occupy the pulpit,—and the congregation shall vote on his name. If the congregation fails to call this pastor, the Committee shall then recommend the second most desirable of the three original nominees, with the same procedure, and in the event of the failure of the congregation to elect, shall act again upon the third candidate; in the event of failure to call using further candidates, nominated in groups of three, as above described, until a pastor shall have been called. It is understood that not more than one name shall be presented by the Pulpit Committee of the congregation to the congregation for consideration at a time.

d) An election shall be conducted at a regularly called congregational meeting, at which the President of the Synod, or his clerical representative, shall preside; but no more than one individual shall be considered at the same congregational meeting.

ARTICLE THIRTEEN

Discipline

Section I — Offenses

The offenses for which members of the Synod shall be subject to discipline are:

(a) Preaching or teaching doctrine in conflict with the faith set forth in Article One, Section IV.

(b) Conduct incompatible with moral purity or with the character of the ministerial office.

(c) Willful disregard and violation of the Constitution, authority and resolutions of the Synod.

Section II — Penalties

1. The penalties which may be imposed upon ministers are:

(a) Private censure and admonition by the President.

(b) Public censure and admonition in any session of the Synod or Conference.

(c) Suspension from the office and functions of the ministry for a designated period, or until there is satisfactory evidence of repentance and amendment.

(d) Exclusion form the Synod.

(e) Deposition from the ministerial office.

2. Should any congregation belonging to the Synod turn away from the faith set forth in Article One, Section IV, neglect or refuse to exercise proper discipline over its members after due admonition by the President of the Synod; disparage the cause of the Christian Church and the upbuilding of the Kingdom of Jesus Christ through applied benevolences; or willfully disregard and violate the Constitution and resolutions of the Synod and persist in such disregard and violation, it shall be excluded from membership in this Synod.

Section III — Processes Against a Minister

A. The Bringing of Charges

1. By a Congregation

If serious accusation be lodged against a minister before a Church Council by six voting members in the congregation, unless otherwise provided for by the Constitution of the congregation, the Council shall confer with him about the same and shall endeavor to obviate all just causes of complaint and to reconcile all parties; nor shall any further steps be taken until all proper efforts to this end on the part of the Church Council have been exhausted.

If in the judgment of the Church Council a PRIMA FACIE case has been made out against the minister, it shall report its findings in writing to the President of the Synod, specifying the charges, which must, however, be founded on the subscribed testimony of at least two credible witnesses. If the Church Council shall ignore the accusation the members of the congregation who have brought the charges may in like manner lay them before the President of the Synod.

If a minister be charged with some specific sin not in the manner aforesaid, but by widespread rumor which is not transient, but which continues and strengthens, the Church Council shall endeavor to remove the scandal; and if it fails or finds evidence of guilt, it shall at once report the case to the President of the Synod.

2. By Members of the Synod

Three members of the Synod may prefer charges against a minister, but such charges must be specific, in writing, and signed by them.

3. By the President of the Synod

Should the attention of the President of the Synod be directed by rumor or complaint to alleged offences on the part of any of its members he shall immediately investigate the matter and endeavor to remove any cause for complaint or scandal. Should he fail in his efforts, or should he deem such action necessary, he shall appoint a committee of investigation as hereinafter provided.

B. The Preliminary Investigation In Cases That May Require a Formal Trial

If any accusation against a minister of the Synod be lodged with the President by a congregation, or by three members of the Synod, he shall at once communicate with the accused respecting the matter; and, if the accused should desire an investigation, or the nature of the accusation be such as to call for it, the President shall order such investigation by the Conference, or he may appoint a committee for that purpose, and cite the accused to appear before said committee to make answer to the charges.

When such investigation is appointed, a copy of the complaint against the accused shall be furnished him by the President, allowing

him not less than ten days between the time of his citation and that appointed for the hearing; and if the accused should refuse or fail to appear without presenting adequate reasons why the investigation should be deferred to another time, it shall proceed in the same manner as if he were present.

If the findings in such an investigation show gross immorality, or flagrant transgression, the same shall at once be reported to the President of the Synod who shall immediately suspend him from the office and functions of the ministry until his case has been finally decided by the Synod.

If the findings of the investigation show sufficient evidence of guilt, besides reporting the case to the President, the Conference or committee making the investigation shall formulate the charges and specifications against the accused, and the President of the Synod shall furnish a copy to the accused not less than twenty days before the meeting of the Synod, at the same time citing him to appear at said meeting, when his case shall be heard and decided.

C. The Trial

When charges have been brought against a minister of the Synod and the preliminary investigation has shown that a formal trial is necessary, the President shall report the matter to the next annual meeting of the Synod, or to a special meeting called for the purpose, and the case shall be referred to a committee on Discipline consisting of not less than fifteen members. The charges and specifications against the accused shall be presented, in his presence if he desires it. The accused shall have the right and opportunity to be fully heard and to call witnesses in his own defense, and may be represented by counsel, who, however, shall be members of congregations belonging to the Synod. The Committee on Discipline shall hear all relevant testimony, and shall present its findings to the Synod. If the findings be adverse to the accused, it shall also recommend the penalty to be inflicted. The findings of the Committee may be adopted and the penalty determined by a majority vote of the Synod; but the accused may appeal from the findings of the Committee, in which case he shall be tried by the Synod in secret session, and the method of procedure shall be the same as before the Committee on Discipline. In case of such appeal all penalties shall be suspended until the case has been tried and determined by the Synod.

When a minister is charged with teaching or preaching doctrines that are in conflict with Article One, Section IV, of this Constitution, the Committee on Discipline shall consist entirely of ministers, and shall report its findings to the Ministerium; but the accused may appeal to the said Ministerium against the findings of the Committee, in which case the Ministerium shall proceed to try the charges.

In acting upon the report of the Committee on Discipline or in its trial of charges, the Ministerium shall take a vote upon two counts: First, Is the doctrine specified in conflict with Article One, Section IV? Second, Is the accused guilty of preaching or teaching such doctrines? The guilt of the accused shall be determined only upon a two-thirds vote on the first count, and upon a majority vote on the second count. The Ministerium shall then report its decision to the Synod, which shall determine the penalty by a majority vote; but the penalty shall not be less than suspension from the Ministry, which shall continue until such time as the accused shall have made full recantation of the errors because of which he has been suspended.

When the Synod has made final decision in the case of the trial of a minister, the President of the Synod shall at once announce the de-

cision, whether guilty or not guilty. If guilty, the President shall pronounce the sentence in the presence of the body; also, if possible, in the presence of the person adjudged guilty, and a copy of the sentence shall be given him.

If in any case new evidence shall be presented to the President which shall be sufficient in his judgment to warrant a retrial, he shall present the evidence to the Synod, and the latter shall decide whether the case shall be reopened When the penalty imposed has been greater than that of public or private censure, he shall at once call a special meeting of the Synod to consider the matter.

The proceedings in a case of discipline shall not be published, in part or in whole, before the final decision is reached and the result officially declared.

The administration of discipline in a congregation is governed by the congregation's Constitution, but a pastor or member of any congregation belonging to the Synod may appeal to the Synod from the disciplinary action of the congregation. All such appeals, whether on the part of the pastor or a member of the congregation, must be made in writing to the President of the Synod within thirty days after the action has been made. A copy of said appeal shall be promptly transmitted by the appellant to the officers of the congregaton, nor shall the appeal be entertained unless there is evidence that the same has been received by said officers. Upon receiving such appeal, The President of the Synod shall refer the matter for investigation and determination to the Conference with which the congregation is connected, or to a special committee appointed by him. All relevant testimony shall be heard in such investigation. The decision or finding of the Conference or committee shall be reported to the President of the Synod and shall be final unless the Synod at its subsequent meeting shall determine otherwise.

No minister or layman while under discipline or sentence of suspension shall hold any office in the Synod, or serve as delegate, director or trustee under its appointment; and every committee, board, delegation, or body of appointees constituted by the Synod shall see to the enforcement of this rule.

It shall also be the duty of all pastors and congregations belonging to the Synod to respect the disciplinary action of the Synod; and for any pastor or congregation to set aside or disregard any such disciplinary action shall be deemed a violation of order which shall subject the offender to discipline.

ARTICLE FOURTEEN

The Synod shall be incorporated.

ARTICLE FIFTEEN

The Seal and This Constitution

Section I

1. The Seal of the Synod presents (here describe definitely the symbols and legend which the Seal of the Synod contains).

2. The Seal shall be in charge of the President of the Synod, who shall affix it, or cause it to be affixed to all documents, certificates, deeds, legal papers, or official copies of resolutions, etc., requiring the Seal of the Synod.

Section II

1. The provisions and ordinances contained in the Constitution and By-Laws of the Synod, in so far as the same are severally applicable,

shall be of like force in the government of the Synod, the Ministerium and the Conferences.

2. Section IV of Article One (Subject, the Doctrinal Basis) of this Constitution shall not be altered nor amended by this Synod.

3. Other articles of the Constitution of this Synod may be amended by a two-thirds vote of the members present at a regular annual meeting, provided that such proposed amendment be moved and presented in writing by not less than six members at a previous regular annual meeting.

4. Everything in any By-Law, resolution, or enactment of the Merging Synods differing from or in conflict with this constitution and By-Laws is hereby superceded and repealed.

BY-LAWS

ARTICLE I —Meetings

A. 1. The regular convention of the Synod shall be held in the spring at such time and place as may be determined by the Synod or its By-Laws. Should Synod fail in determining the time and place of the meeting the Executive Board shall designate the time and place; said Board shall have power also to determine the time and place of special conventions that may be called.

2. The Executive Board shall prepare the program for all conventions of the Synod and present it for adoption at the opening session of each convention.

3. The President shall open and close all conventions with the use of the liturgical order prepared by the United Lutheran Church in America.

4. The President and those delegated by him, shall arrange for and administer the Holy Communion at every Convention of the Synod.

B. The annual meeting of each Conference shall be held in the fall of the year. The exact dates of the Conference meetings shall be determined by the Committee of Presidents. All public services at the meetings of each Conference shall be conformed to the practices of the Synod.

ARTICLE II — of the Midwest Conference

The Midwest Conference shall have the right to refuse admittance into membership within its Conference to any minister, who holds membership in a secret society (lodge); The Synod, the President of Synod and other officers shall hold this privilege in due regard in the reception of candidate and ordained ministers who are to serve in the Midwest Conference. Also the President shall hold it in due regard in making nominations to congregations (cf. Art. XII, b).

ARTICLE III — of Boards and Committees

1. There shall be an Adjustment Committee, composed of three representatives from each Conference, one of whom shall be a layman, elected by each Conference, who seek to make adjustments of the interests and spheres of activities of Conferences, auxiliary organizations, of the holdings and properties of Conferences and Boards, of defining and re- defining boundaries of parishes and Conferences, and of making such other recommendations to the Conferences or the Synod as they, in consultation with the Executive Board, may deem necessary to make adjustments between parishes, Conferences and auxiliary organizations. No actions shall be taken without the consent and agreement of the parties involved.

2. In consonance with the actions of the United Lutheran Church in America (cf. Minutes of Philadelphia Convention, pp. 453-454) and with the Statement of the Seminary Problem in the Midwest, approved by the Board of Education of the United Lutheran Church in America, as represented to the meeting of the Board of Directors of Midland College and the Western Seminary together with representatives from the German Synod of Nebraska, Kansas Synod, and Nebraska Synod on May 24, 1934, and

for the furtherance of harmony and the development of a greater Seminary in the Midwest, we propose:

(a) That the administration of Western Seminary be divorced from the administration of Midland College and be placed under a separ-

ate Board, as specified in the proposed Section of the Constitution (Article Six, Section V)

(b) That its location be determined by the Synod..

3. For the conduct of each convention of Synod the President of the Synod shall appoint the following special committees:

Committee on Elections
Committee on Reference and Counsel
Committee on Credentials
Committee on Resolutions
Committee on President's Report
Committee on Minutes and Proctocol
Committee on Absences and Excuses
Committee on Equalization.

4. The duties of the various committees shall be those naturally indicated in the title of the committee, with such limitations or special assignments as may be provided in the Constitution, By-Laws or resolutions of Synod.

5. The Committee on Reference and Counsel shall consist of the Conference Presidents of the Synod. All representatives of Boards of the Church and of other organizations, without a place on the convention program, shall make their requests for a hearing through this committee. This Committee shall also be the medium through which general resolutions and other items of new business without place on the convention program shall be presented to Synod.

6. It shall be the duty of the Committee on Equalization, in accordance with rules to be approved by Synod, to establish the 'common' or average cost of traveling expenses for each pastor and lay delegate present at Synod; and to recommend (? pro rata ?) equalization allowance for sums above the common or average cost, to be paid by the Treasurer of Synod. Funds for the Equalization Allowance shall accrue in equal parts, from:

a) An allowance from the synodical budget,

b) differential, between sums less than the common cost and the common cost, to be paid by pastors present; and payments of the common or average cost by the absentees; provided, however that absentee lay delegates and retired and unemployed pastors shall be exempt from payment of the common or average traveling expenses.

All pastors and lay delagates are expected to attend all sessions of the Convention. Excuses for non-attendance must be submitted to and accepted by the Committee on Absence and Excuses. Delegates absenting themselves without being excused shall forfeit their share of travel allowance (? pro rated by the Committee?).

All necessary expenses, including the common or average cost, but not the travel allowance provided by Synod, incurred by the pastor and lay delegate of a parish in attending conventions of the Synod and the Conferences shall be borne by the parish they represent.

ARTICLE IV — Officers

1. Remuneration of the President shall be $3,600 per year and $700 for expenses when engaged in Synodical business, until changed by action of Synod.

2. There shall be a German Secretary who shall be nominated by the Midwest Conference; the Midwest Conference shall nominate two candidates, one of whom shall be elected by the Synod. He shall serve for a term to correspond with that of the English Secretary. It shall be his duty to translate and publish the German Minutes of the pro-

ceedings, carry on German correspondence and such other duties as the Executive Board or the Synod may from time to time determine. The office of the German Secretary, Secretary of Statistics and the Necrologist may be held by one and the same person.

3. The President shall preach a synodical sermon at the opening of each Annual Convention, or he shall appoint another to preach in his place.

4. No officer of Synod or official representative of the Synod shall make any charges for any official visiting of any congregation or any organization of Synod. All expenses incurred in such visiting shall be paid out of the Synodical Treasury. Whenever congregations or organizations of the Synod make contributions for such service the money thus received shall be paid into the Synodical Treasury by the officer or representative receiving such remuneration. They shall submit a report of their official expenses and remunerations to the Executive Board.

ARTICLE V — Missionary Superintendent

1. The Missionary Superintendent shall be elected for a term of five years and shall be eligible to re-election but once.

2. He shall give his entire time to the duties of his office and therefore shall relinquish his Parish or other remunerative office.

3. The compensation of the Missionary Superintendent of the Synod shall be determined by the Synod upon the recommendation of the Board of Home Missions and shall be stipulated in his Call.

4. Subject to the advice and direction of the Synodical Board of Home Missions, he shall supervise all Home Mission work of the Synod, establish new missions as often as is practicable and shall be regarded as the supply pastor of the missions that are without a pastor.

5. He shall render a written report of his work to the Synodical Board of Home Missions and to Synod; and in co-operation with the Committee on Evangelism and the Executive Board of Synod, he shall plan and prosecute such programs of Evangelism as are in harmony with the practice of the Lutheran Church.

6. Upon the recommendation of the Synodical Board of Home Missions he may retire for cause at any Annual Convention by a two-thirds vote, and his successor elected forthwith.

ARTICLE VI — Auxiliary Organizations

The Synod recognizes the Women's Missionary Society, the Brotherhood and the Luther League as helpful and important auxiliaries of the Synod and they shall be entitled to have official representatives at the Annual Convention of the Synod where they shall present their annual reports. It is suggested as desirable that these auxiliaries merge into one body, with such Districts as may be determined by each Auxiliary Society. However, this aim shall be subject to the By-Laws concerning the Adjustment Committee and consent of parties involved.

ARTICLE VII — Elections

A. Officers

1. At the beginning, and as long thereafter as may seem advisable, the officers shall be chosen, as far as possible, so as to give representation to all the merging Synods.

2. There shall be no nominations for the office of the President, the Corporation Secretary and the Treasurer.

3. All regular elections shall be by ballot, and shall be held in such manner as Synod may determine.

4. When a President of Synod is to be elected, three-fourths of all the votes cast on the first ballot shall be necessary for an election; on a second ballot two-thirds of all the votes cast shall be necessary to an election. If two ballots fail to result in an election, the third ballot shall be confined to the two persons, who in the second ballot, received the highest number of votes, and no vote cast for any other shall be counted. In the third ballot a majority of the votes to be counted shall elect. The results of the first and each succeeding ballot shall be announced by the Tellers of the Synod.

5. When a Secretary or a Treasurer of the Synod is to be elected, two-thirds of the votes cast shall be necessary to an election. If two ballots fail to result in an election, the third shall be confined to the two persons, who in the second ballot, received the highest number of votes for the same office, and no votes cast for any other shall be counted. In the third ballot a majority of the votes cast shall elect.

6. In all other elections, the person receiving the highest number of votes cast shall be declared elected, provided said number does not fall below the majority of the whole number of votes cast.

B. Elections of Delegates To The United Lutheran Church Conventions

1. The President, Secretary, and the Treasurer of Synod shall be delegates ex officio to the conventions of the United Lutheran Church in America.

2. Each Conference shall nominate from its constituency one clerical and one lay delegate, and one clerical and one lay alternate delegate for each twelve pastoral charges, or major fraction thereof in the Conference. The names of these nominees shall be printed at the head of the printed ballot in Conference groups and in the order in which they were nominated by the several Conferences.

3. Delegates at large, to complete the quoto of delegates, shall be elected by the Synod. For clerical delegates at large no nominations shall be permitted. For lay delegates at large the names and congregational affiliations of eligible laymen may be handed to the Secretary of Synod or the Committee on Nominations.

4. Each member of Synod present may vote for as many Conference delegates and delegates at large as are to be elected, and those receiving a majority of the votes cast in any one ballot shall be declared elected.

5. The Conference nominees for alternate delegates, clerical and lay, may be elected by proper resolution. The alternate delegates at large, clerical and lay, shall be named and elected by proper resolution in the order of the highest total vote received on all ballots for delegates.

6. Delegates and alternate delegates shall be recorded in delegates at large and in Conference groups and the names shall be recorded in the order in which they were elected by the Synod or nominated by the Conference.

7. Women shall not be eligible as Delegates from this Synod to the United Lutheran Church Conventions.

ARTICLE VIII — Policy on Lutheran Unity

WHEREAS, it is reported that the Commission on Relationships to American Lutheran Church Bodies has reached an agreement with the American Lutheran Church on three points in question, and

WHEREAS, this commission on Relationship will undoubtedly report to the next United Lutheran Church Convention the agreement reached and recommend approval of the same,

THEREFORE, providing these agreements be approved by the United Lutheran Church in America, it shall be the general policy of this Synod, its Conferences, Boards, Committees, other agencies and general administration, with the consent and approval of the Executive Board of the United Lutheran Church in America, to inaugurate and promote such actions and attitudes as will be helpful in bringing about better understanding and closer relationship with the District Bodies of the American Lutheran Church on this territory.

ARTICLE IX — Of Reports To Synod

1. All Officers, committees, delegates to the United Lutheran Church in America, directors and trustees shall present their reports, typewritten, double spaced and wide margined and in duplicate, to the Secretary, by a date designated by him to enable their inclusion in the printed pre-convention bulletin.

2. Every report shall be signed in ink by a majority of those submitting it. Minority statements shall be signed by the entire minority dissenting.

3. The Secretary of Synod shall mail one copy of the pre-convention bulletin to each minister on the synodical roll and one additional copy for the use of the lay delegate of each parish at least two weeks before the regular convention of Synod.

4. The Executive Board is authorized to require that all financial reports shall be audited by an accredited accountant before presentation to the Synod. All financial statements submitted to the Synod shall be in such form as to show clearly and separately both current operating accounts and capital accounts. There shall be presented in each case a balance sheet showing resources and liabilities in reasonable detail.

5. Any Board or Committee of the Synod presenting a recommendation for action by the Synod aside from those contained in the pre-convention bulletin shall place it in the hands of all delegates in writing at least one day before the action can be taken.

ARTICLE X — Of The Synodical Paper

A synodical paper shall be published.

ARTICLE XI — Of Rules Of Order

In all cases not specified otherwise in the Constitution and these By-Laws, Roberts Rules of Order shall govern this Body.

ARTICLE XII — Amendments

Amendments to these By-Laws may be made at any session of the Synod by a majority vote, provided that every such amendment shall have been submitted in writing, signed by 12 members of Synod, for inclusion in the pre-convention bulletin of Synod.

Reported by: Andreas Bard
Louis T. Bang
W. Wilbur Klover.

The convention voted that the Conference Presidents arrange for the study of the proposed constitution of the new Synod at their conference meetings and report their judgments to the Executive Committee.

The Report on the Communicant Membership Roll was adopted.

Report of Committee on Communicant Membership Roll

It is our conclusicn that any changes we might make in our definition of such terms as, "Communing Members" must necessarily be in harmony with those of the United Lutheran Church in America.

Sometime during 1940 the Statistical and Church Year Book Committee of the United Lutheran Church will publish a manual for pastors which will contain information relative to the matter being considered by your Committee.

Also the parochial report for 1940 will be revised to include these latest findings of the church.

Therefore your Committee feels any action at this meeting of Synod would be premature and asks either that this Committee be dissolved or continued until next year for the purpose of analysis of the new rubrics.

Respectfully,
Walter H. Moeller

The Report of the Committee on Executive Committee's Report was presented and adopted. The Executive Committee's Report was adopted as amended, recommendation number two being denied.

Report of Committee on Executive Committee's Report

The committee on the Report of the Executive Committee reports as follows:

1. That the recommendations of this committee be considered seriatam.
2. That recommendation No. 1 be adopted
3. That recommendation No. 2 be denied since it is ambiguous and already coverd in the constitution.
4. That recommendation No. 3 be adopted.
5. That recommendation No. 4 be adopted.

BE IT RESOLVED, That an expression of gratitude be shown the camp committee for the faithfulness and diligence they have shown in the management of Camp Washunga.

Eugene R. Harrison, Chairman

Dr. Martin Schroeder proposed a resolution on Rural Life, which was adopted by the convention.

Resolution on Rural Work

WHEREAS, the need of Rural Life institutes has become very apparent and

WHEREAS, our synodical attempts have shown that a more widespread support and influence are desirable.

BE IT RESOLVED, That we memorialize the U.L.C.A. to further support the conducting of Rural Life institutes on a nationwide basis.

The Brotherhood report was presented and adopted.

Report of Synodical Brotherhood

Eighteen active Brotherhoods in the Synod report a total membership of 587, an increase of 66 during the past year.

Reports indicate most of the Brotherhoods participated in the national Brotherhood Sunday last October, and that a majority are using in some form the Lutheran Men topics in their monthly meetings.

One conference rally was held during the year, the Eastern conference Brotherhood and Missionary organizations meeting together at Topeka September 24, with a total attendance of more than 100 men and women. The rally sermon was delivered by Dr. Andreas Bard, president of Synod.

Preparations for the synodical Brotherhood convention at Atchison were begun in February, and received the major attention of the Brotherhood officers during the early spring of this year.

The Synodical Brotherhood wishes to convey its appreciation to the executive committee and officers of synod for their splendid co-operation during the past year, and for the space granted in the Kansas Synod Lutheran each month for Brotherhood publicity.

The following recommendations are offered for the consideration of synod:

1. That Conference Presidents be again urged to consider the inclusion of joint Missionary-Brotherhood rallies next fall in their Conference Programs, in each of the three districts of synod.

2. That this convention go on record as recommending to each of the parishes that serious consideration be given to the formation of local Brotherhoods, as an incentive for more intensive laymen activity in the churches.

Respectfully submitted,

Evan W. Tonsing, President

The report on Evangelism was adopted.

Report of Committee on Evangelism

The congregations of the Synod of Kansas and Adjacent States increased the confirmed roll with 479 new members. This indicates a gain of 127 over the increase for 1938, which was 352.

Three congregations enlarged their confirmed membership roll by adding 100 or more members. They are: Atchison, 147; Lawrence, 102; and Oklahoma City, 100.

Five congregations increased numerically from 20 to 70 members. They are: Topeka, 70; Tulsa, 44; Wakeeney, 33; Rockport, 29; and Bunker Hill-Wilson, 20.

Seventeen show a gain of from 1 to 16 confirmed members.

On the basis of percentage, the gain for the entire Synod during 1939 was 4.6 per cent. In 1938 it was 3.6 per cent. This indicates a gain of 1 per cent.

According to percentage gains, three congregations show an increase ranging from 25 per cent to 45 per cent. They are: Atchison, 45.4 per cent; Bunker Hill, 33.3 per cent; Topeka, 25.5 per cent.

Five congregations show a gain of from 13 per cent to 23 per cent. They are: Wakeeney, 23.6 per cent; Bunker Hill-Wilson, 20 per cent; Oklahoma City, 19.4 per cent; Lawrence, 17.5 per cent; and Fort Smith, 13.4 per cent.

Six more congregations show a gain above the average of 4.6 per cent. They are: Rockport, 9.5 per cent; Peabody, 6.2 per cent; Sedalia, 6.1 per cent; Abilene, 5.7 per cent; Wellington, 5.5 per cent; and Chapman, 4.9 per cent.

The percentage net gain by conferences is: Eastern, 9.3 per cent; Southern, 4.6 per cent; and Western, .5 per cent.

In 1938 the average per cent gain for the Synods of the United Lutheran Church in America was 2.5 per cent. In 1937 the twelve Synods having the highest average per cent gain were: Pacific, 9.8 per cent; California, 6.6 per cent; Florida, 5.5 per cent; Rocky Mountain, 4.9 per cent; Midwest, 4.5 per cent; Northwest, 4.3 per cent; Nebraska, 4.2 per cent; Kentucky-Tennessee, 4.1 per cent; Manitoba, 3.9 per cent; North Carolina, 3.7 per cent; Ohio, 3.4 per cent; and Kansas, 3.36 per cent.

If, in 1940, the Synod of Kansas and Adjacent States can increase her confirmed membership roll by 1.4 per cent over 1939, it will provide 647 new members, or 168 more than 1939. This goal of a 6 per cent increase would place us, in all probability, about the third or fourth among the Synods of the United Lutheran Church in America.

According to the figures presented in this report, a 6 per cent average net increase of the confirmed roll is the trend of growth and development of the past two years.

The committee, therefore, recommends that the Synod approve the plan of increasing the confirmed roll by an average gain of 6 per cent as a goal of Evangelism for 1940-41.

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. Alfred J. Beil, Chairman

The report on Foreign Missions was adopted.

Report of Committee on Foreign Missions

Your committee has endeavored to work in cooperation with the Board of Foreign Missions of the ULCA. Miss Helene Harder was assigned to visit our Synod, Jan. 18-30, 1939. Due to the limited time allotted, the condition of Miss Harder's health, and the unfavorable weather conditions, a complete visitation of all the congregations of synod was impossible. Of the thirty one questionnaires sent out, the fifteen returned indicated that nine pastors had used the literature offered by the Board, and had preached special mission sermons.

K. de Freese, chairman

Rev. C. R. F. Friedstrom, pastor of Trinity Lutheran Church, Topeka, (Augustana Synod) was introduced and enrolled as an advisory member of the convention.

Greetings were brought to the convention from the Women's Missionary Society of the Synod by Mrs. Alfred J. Beil. Pastor Beil extended greetings to the Women's Missionary Society.

The Home Missions Report was adopted, including the Treasurer's Report. (For Auditing Committee's statement, refer to general report of the synodical treasurer).

Report of the Committee on Home Missions

In keeping with needs of our work, this committee met five times in 1939. The Rev. Mr. E. R. Harrison resigned his position on the committee in September in order to accept a call to Hutchinson. The Rev. Mr. S. A. Hamrick was appointed by the executive committee to take the position left vacant by his resignation. The Rev. Mr. G. L. Search was elected by the committee as chairman.

The committee appreciated greatly that the Board of American Missions has considered the needs of our churches at Kansas City, Fort Smith and Hutchinson and have granted the amounts of aid recommended by the committee.

A survey of the points contacted by this committee follow:

TRINITY, Kansas City, Kansas

Rev. W. W. Klover, pastor

This congregation, aided by the Board of American Missions, has been receiving assistance from the Board since 1923. The present pastor was called in June 1938, and the committee is pleased with progress being made by the congregation. The greatest obstacle to success has been Trinity's burden of debt, which adds so greatly to the expenses of the church. It has required some sacrifice on the part of Trinity's membership. An effort to secure some adjustment on the debt has been partially successful, and prospects are more encouraging than for many years. The Board of American Missions has granted this congregation $972.00 for 1940.

ST. LUKE'S, Fort Smith, Arkansas

Rev. C. P. Karriker, pastor

This congregation, aided by the Board of American Missions, has received assistance since its organization in 1928. The present pastor is the only pastor the congregation has had, having served since 1929. Progress continues, although discouraging conditions persist. The church is far away from other ULCA churches, it is located in a section where financial conditions are poor and the property of the church needs constant repair. $670 has been granted to United by the Board for 1940.

ZION'S, Hutchinson, Kansas

Rev. E. R. Harrison, pastor

Following a period of supply under three pastors from the Board of American Missions, this congregation called Rev. E. R. Harrison on October first. It is still too soon to report on progress being made, but the congregation seems hopeful for the first time in a number of years. The financial situation seems to have been agreeably arranged so that the congregation may look forward confidently to future self-support. The board of American Missions granted $1000.00 to this congregation for 1940 and the Synodical Committee granted another $300.00 from its funds.

BETHLEHEM, Wakeeney, Kansas

Rev. G. C. Schaub, D. D., supply

Although Rev. Schaub at first arranged with the committee to serve

Wakeeney from January first until Easter of 1939, he later extended his time of service and has promised the congregation that he will remain until Easter of 1940. The committee appreciates his decision to remain for a longer time, for the congregation cannot be easily supplied with a pastor until better financial conditions prevail in the western part of the state, and the increase in membership and spirit that have grown under the leadership of Rev. Schaub should not be lost to our church.

ZION, Beloit, Kansas
Rev. George Eller, pastor

The Rev. Eller was called to this parish on May first and prospects for continued growth of this congregation continue.

FIRST ENGLISH, Topeka, Kansas
Rev. A. J. Beil, pastor

This congregation continues its remarkable progress under the pastor's leadership, and will soon be self-supporting. The congregation requested and was granted the sum of $150.00 for 1940.

ST. MARK'S, Norcatur, Kansas, and
ST. PAUL'S, Long-Island, Kansas, vacant

This parish has continued without a pastor since July, 1938, largely because of sparse population and because of the poor crop conditions prevailing in Western Kansas for the past few years.

Although Long Island is a part of the Norcatur field, it is so close to Stamford, Nebraska(twelve miles), that the committee tried to place a student in that field for the summer on the promise of Rev. Hendrickson that if we would build the field, he would serve it as a part of his own work. The residue of membership at Long Island was so small that those left declined the offer of your committee, and nothing will be done in this field unless present conditions change. Many members of this congregation have drifted to other churches, a number having joined the Lutheran Church at Stamford. The committee voted to continue its efforts to get a pastor for Norcatur.

The terms of Rev. S. A. Hamrick, Rev. W. H. Moeller and Mr. A. F. Myser expire at this Synodical convention. All three are eligible for re-election.

THE MISSION BUDGET for 1940

Grants in aid by the Board of American Missions:	
To Trinity, Kansas City, Kansas	$ 972.00
To St. Luke's, Fort Smith, Arkansas	670.00
To Zion, Hutchinson, Kansas	1000.00
Grants in aid from the funds of the Synodical committee:	
To Zion, Hutchinson, Kansas	$ 300.00
To Zion, Beloit, Kansas	300.00
To First English, Topeka, Kansas	150.00
Grants approved if and when supply is available:	
To Bethlehem, Wakeeney, Kansas	$25.00 per month
To St. Mark's, Norcatur, Kansas	25.00 per month
For expenses of the committee:	$150.00

The Division of Research and Survey of the Board of American Missions conducted surveys in Little Rock, Arkansas, Bartlesville, Oklahoma and Enid, Oklahoma. In each case the Board concluded that any work in these fields is unwarranted at the present time. Possibilities of work among the negro population of Tulsa, Oklahoma, were reported through Rev. G. R. Whittecar to the Board of American Missions, and the proposals made are being considered by the Board.

Respectfully,
George L. Search, chairman

Home Missions Treasurer's Report for 1939

RECEIPTS

1939 Cash Balance	$1,102.97	
1939 Apportionment	545.40	
Refund	13.50	$1,661.87

DISBURSEMENTS

Wakeeney, Kans.,	295.00	
Hutchinson, Kans.,	75.00	
Topeka, Kans.,	300.00	
Beloit, Kans.,	225.00	
Postage	3.60	
Committee Meetings	225.97	
Summer School Mission Expense	30.00	
Rural Conference Meetings	37.20	
Traveling Expenses	40.38	$1232.15
1940 Cash Balance		$ 429.72

Louis T. Bang, Treasurer

The following were elected as members of the Home Missions Committee:

Rev. S. A. Hamrick, three year term; Rev. W. H. Moeller, two year term; and Mr. L. W. Bauerle, two year term.

The Report on Ministerial Pensions was adopted.

Report of the Committee on Ministerial Pensions

As of January 30, 1940, there are on the territory of our Synod beneficiaries as follows with total amount received per annum appended:

Retired Ministers	4	$1,200
Disabled Ministers	1	300
Widows	8	1,600
Children	1	50
Total	14	$3,150

The United Lutheran Church is the only branch of the Lutheran Church and the only branch of the Protestant Church still trying to operate a non-contributory pension system. We now have an accumulated deficit of $85,000 which grows $35,000 per year. It is evident that this cannot continue.

The Baltimore Convention of the ULC ordered a Committee to bring in to the Omaha Convention a plan for a contributory pension which would pay equally to all. See Baltimore Minutes page 425. The Chairman of that Committee, Dr. Clarence Miller states this to be an impossibility. See Kansas Synod Minutes for 1939 page 58. Up to January thirtieth, 1940 the Committee had had no meeting and it is not likely that any will be held.

The Pension Board, through Mr. Hodges, suggests that our delegates come instructed to vote for either a contributory system or a larger share of the Benevolence now being paid into the ULC. Your Committee believes that the matter should be discussed till our delegates have at least a fair idea of the sentiment of Synod.

D. L. McConnell
J. A. McCulloch
Herbert W. Simmons.

Following considerable discussion it was voted that the delegates to the U. L. C. A. convention be instructed to vote for a contributory and revolving pension system, such a plan being favored by the Synod.

It was voted that Dr. Martin Schroeder be allowed forty-five minutes for a lecture on the Rural Church, his address following at this time.

The following pastors were elected as regular delegates to the convention of the United Lutheran Church to be held in Omaha, Nebraska, October 9-16, 1940:

Dr. Andreas Bard, ex officio.
Rev. W. Wilbur Klover.
Rev. S. A. Hamrick.
Rev. A. J. Beil.

The following were elected as clerical alternates and are to serve in the following order:

Rev. E. R. Harrison
Rev. R. R. Pfeiffer
Rev. O. W. Ebright
Rev. E. E. Stauffer

The following laymen were elected as regular delegates:

Dr. E. E. Harvey, Salina
Mr. H. H. Wehry, Hutchinson
Mr. Fred Schaeffer, Kansas City, Mo.
Mr. J. G. Lazarus, Tulsa

The following laymen were elected as alternate delegates and are to serve in the following order:

Mr. A. F. Myser, Emporia
Mr. Fred Klcepper, Lancaster
Mr. A. P. Sanborn, Chapman
Mr. Ralph Hangan, Wellington

The report of the Commitee on Reference and Counsel was adopted, which is as follows: Your committee on Reference and Counsel hereby recommends the adoption of the proposed by-law and that the treasurer be paid the sum of $50 for 1939. (The proposed by-law: That the treasurer be paid $50 annually for his services).

E. E. Stauffer
C. N. Swihart
Charles A. Harkness, Jr.
Fred Schaeffer

It was voted that the President be authorized to appoint a committee of three on the Rural Church. The motion follows: **MOVED, THAT THE PRESIDENT BE INSTRUCTED TO APPOINT A COMMITTEE OF THREE AND DESIGNATED "RURAL CHURCH COMMITTEE"; THE COMMITTEE TO MAKE SURVEYS, ARRANGE PROGRAMS AND INFORMATION TO SYNOD ON RURAL CHURCH WORK.**

The Report on Absentees and Excuses was presented by Dr. Fuller Bergstresser and adopted.

Report of Committee on Absentees and Excuses

We recommend the following brethren be excused from attendance for cause:

C. F. Wiest
A. L. Groseclose
N. H. Royer
Chaplain J. O. Ensrud
G. R. Whittecar

Fuller Bergstresser, Chairman

It was voted that the place of the 1941 convention be determined by the Executive Committee.

The Report on Resolutions was adopted.

Report of Committee on Resolutions

BE IT RESOLVED:

That this Synod hereby expresses its highest appreciation of the hospitality of St. Mark's congregation and the pastor loci. It has been a great pleasure to meet with this congregation and to be so cordially entertained in their homes.

That the Synod is highly grateful to the Atchison Globe for the splendid publicity given this meeting of Synod in their city.

That the pastor present the first resolution to the congregation, and the secretary see that the second comes to the attention of the Globe.

E. H. Gilmer
F. H. Bloch

The convention voted that the minutes for Wednesday sessions of the convention be approved by the Executive Committee before being printed.

The report on local publicity was adopted.

Committee on Local Publicity

The Committee on Local Publicity reports that the Atchison Daily Globe has supplied abundant space for this synodical convention and the meeting of the Synodical Women's Missionary Society, also the Synodical Brotherhood.

Evan W. Tonsing

The convention was adjourned at noon, according to the proper form.

W. Wilbur Klover, Secretary.

Synodical Brotherhood Convention

Featuring the afternoon business session, at which several important actions were taken, and the evening banquet, the annual convention of the Men's Brotherhood of the Synod of Kansas and Adjacent States, held in conjunction with Synod at Atchison, April 3, 1940, was most successful.

The afternoon business session, called at 3:30 o'clock by President Evan W. Tonsing, Atchison, opened with a devotional period by the Topeka Brotherhood.

An address of welcome was delivered by Leslie W. Long, president of St. Mark's Brotherhood, of Atchison, to which Ed Goult of Kansas City, Missouri responded.

Mr. Goult, who was designated as acting secretary in the absence of Dr. Frank W. Shaffer, Salina, secretary of the synodical Brotherhood, thanked the men of St. Mark's for their courtesy as hosts of the Brotherhood convention.

As Synodical Brotherhood treasurer, Mr. Goult reported that all bills were paid, and that there is a balance of approximately $6.00 in the treasury.

The afternoon address was delivered by the Rev. M. H. Hamsher, D. D., of Harrisburg, Pa., who spoke on "Managers of His Household."

President Tonsing announced the appointment of the following committees, to carry through projects to completion:

"On to Omaha" National Brotherhood Convention Committee: Wayne Easterday, Topeka; Russell Keithline, Atchison; Carl Swanson, Oklahoma City; L. W. Bauerle, Wichita; Elmer Hovland, Topeka; K. C. Miller, Kansas City, Kansas, and Frank Hall, Hays.

"Camp Wa-Shun-ga June 23 Rally" Committee: Dr. Frank Shaffer, Salina; Paul Darby, Salina; George Nelson, Salina; C. W. Everhardt, Wichita; T. J. Royer, Abilene, and Don Studt, Glasco.

Steps were taken, through adoption of a recommendation in the President's report, looking to the formation of conference Brotherhood organizations, with officers charged with the promotion of district activities, and expansion into congregations which do not have Brotherhoods.

Other recommendations adopted were as follows:

1. Resolutions of appreciation to the Atchison Brotherhood.

2. Continuation of the Synodical Brotherhood dues at 10 cents per active member, for the calendar year 1940. The treasurer was instructed to "bill" local Brotherhoods for their dues.

3. Designation of the Synodical Brotherhood Treasurer as Synodical representative for the Iron Mountain School project, and of the Synodical Brotherhood Secretary as subscription representative for Lutheran Men.

The nominating committee, consisting of Wayne Easterday, Topeka, Chairman; L. W. Swanson, Oklahoma City, Southern Conference; Walter Brandt, Kansas City, Kansas, Eastern Conference; and Dr. E. E. Harvey, Salina, Western Conference, conducted the election of officers for the 1940-41 year. The following were elected:

President, Evan W. Tonsing, Atchison.
Vice-president, R. F. Rifenbary, St. Joseph, Mo.
Secretary, Dr. Frank Shaffer, Salina.
Treasurer, Ed Goult, Kansas City, Mo.

Member of Executive Committee from the Southern Conference, L. W. Swanson, Oklahoma City.

Delegate to the National Brotherhood Convention at Omaha, Mr. Tonsing; Alternate, Mr. Goult.

The evening banquet, attended by about 200 men, was held at the Masonic Temple, with President Tonsing as toastmaster. The program included the following: Community singing led by Harry Hawkinson,

Kansas City, Mo., with William Altmari and William Stanton, Jr., of Atchison as accompanists; duets by Herman Schmidt and Milton Webster of St. Joseph; a trumpet solo by Baepler Nestler of Atchison; addresses by Carl Brown of Atchison, Dr. Hamsher, and Dr. Walter Traub of Omaha, Nebraska; the formal installation of the new Brotherhood officers by Dr. Andreas Bard, Synodical President, Kansas City, Mo. The invocation was by W. H. Guenther of St. Joseph; the benediction by Rev. S. A. Hamrick of Atchison. Rev. W. Wilbur Klover of Kansas City, Kansas, introduced Dr. Traub.

The convention formally closed with the termination of the banquet program.

The next convention will be held in conjunction with Synod, in April, 1941, at a place to be designated by the Synodical Executive Committee.

F. W. Shaffer, Sec'y

Directory Women's Home Missionary Society

For 1940-1941

OFFICERS

President—Mrs. W. Wilbur Klover, 801 North Seventeenth, Kansas City, Kan.

First Vice President—Mrs. R. E. Gaston, Bendena, Kan.

Second Vice President—Mrs. Ralph Vague, Wilson, Kan.

Third Vice President—Mrs. Fred Bloch, 228 East 16th, Oklahoma City, Okla.

Recording Secretary—Miss Helen Fink, 433 South Sixth, Atchison, Kan.

Statistical Secretary—Miss Stella Ehret, R. F. D. 2, Box 253, Oklahoma City, Okla.

Treasurer—Mrs. W. C. Jacobson, 104 N. E. 15th, Oklahoma City, Okla.

Member of Executive Board—Mrs. J. P. Jensen, 600 Louisiana, Lawrence, Kan.

Elected Department Secretaries

Industrial—Mrs. A. J. Beil, 5th and Harrison, Topeka, Kan.

Historian and Educational—Mrs. G. K. Mykland, Chapman, Kan.

Young Women—Mrs. F. W. Juergensen, 2805 N. W. 19th, Oklahoma City, Okla.

Appointed Secretaries

Annuity—Mrs. R. F. Rifenbary, 2328 Circle Drive, St. Joseph, Mo.

Box Work—Mrs. G. E. McReynolds, 2807 Francis, St. Joseph, Mo.

Deaconess—Miss Birdean Miles, 1112 New Jersey, Lawrence, Kan.

Life Membership and In Memoriam—Mrs. J. P. Jensen, Lawrence.

Magazine—Mrs. W. H. Moeller, 1207 Fort, Hays, Kan.

Missionary Advance—Mrs. W. W. Wessen, 1210 Garfield, Topeka, Kan.

Mission Study and Lenten Week of Prayer—Mrs. Heiffner, 5424 Harrison, Kansas City, Mo.

Patron and Protege—Mrs. Ernest Wissing, 211 Baker, Salina, Kan.

Student—Mrs. George Whittecar, 324 West Fifth, Tulsa, Okla.

Thank Offering—Mrs. C. C. Emmerich, 1114 Amidon, Wichita, Kan.

Visitation—Mrs. George C. Smith, 2402 N. W. 21st, Oklahoma City, Okla.

Parliamentarian—Mrs. Edward Goult, 323 Spruce, Kansas City, Mo.

Courtesy Chairman—Mrs. Walter Selle, 3935 Chestnut, Kansas City, Mo.

Editor Missionary News—Mrs. Paul Tonsing, 315 North Terrace, Atchison, Kan.

Children of the Church—Mrs. O. W. Ebright, 206 West Seventh, Emporia, Kan.

Program Committee—Mrs. E. P. Boersch, 132 Chelsea, Kansas City, Mo.; Mrs. E. R. Harrison, 11th and Washington, Hutchinson, Kan.

Delegates to Des Moines Convention—Mrs. W. Wilbur Klover and Mrs. F. W. Juergensen.

Alternates—Mrs. Alfred J. Beil and Mrs. W. C. Jacobson.

PROCEEDINGS

of the

SIXTIETH ANNUAL CONVENTION

of the

WOMEN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY

of the

SYNOD OF KANSAS AND ADJACENT STATES

of the

UNITED LUTHERAN CHURCH IN AMERICA

Held in St. Mark's Lutheran Church, Atchison, Kansas, April 1-4, 1940.
Rev. S. A. Hamrick, Pastor

On April 2, 1940 at nine o'clock the W. M. S. met with Synod for a very impressive communion service, Dr. Andreas Bard delivering the sermon, "The World is the Field." Following this service Mrs. F. W. Juergensen, the synodical president, formally opened the 60th annual convention of the W. M. S. of the Synod of Kansas and Adjacent States.

The following officers and delegates to the convention were enrolled:

OFFICERS AND DEPARTMENT SECRETARIES

President: Mrs. F. W. Juergensen.
First Vice-President: Mrs. W. W. Wessen.
Second Vice-President: Mrs. Charles A. Harkness Jr.
Recording Secretary: Mrs. George L. Search.
Statistical Secretary: Miss Stella Ehret.
Treasurer: Mrs. W. C. Jacobson.
General Board Member & Life & In Memoriam Secretary: Mrs. J. P. Jensen.
Industrial Secretary: Mrs. E. J. Netzer.
Young Women's Secretary: Mrs. C. L. Talbott.
Annuity Secretary: Mrs. Hester W. Humphrey.
Box Work Secretary: Mrs. G. E. McReynolds.
Missionary Advance Secretary: Mrs. E. P. Boersch.
Mission Study & Lenten Wk. of Prayer Secretary: Mrs. C. L. Canfield.
Parliamentarian: Mrs. Edward Goult.
Courtesy Chairman: Mrs. W. W. Klover.
Children of the Church Secretary: Mrs. O. W. Ebright.
Editor Missionary News to K. S. L.: Mrs. Paul Tonsing.
Patronage & Protege Secretary: Mrs. R. E. Gaston.
Thank Offering Secretary: Mrs. C. C. Emmerich.
Visitation Secretary: Mrs. Geo. C. Smith.

DELEGATES W. M. S.

Eastern Conference

Atchison: Mrs. J. M. Schott, Mrs. Leslie Long, Mrs. Ed Fink.
Bendena: Circle No. 1, Mrs. E. O. Loyd.
Bendena: Circle No. 2, Mrs. Elbert Ladwig, Miss Bertha Albers.
Kansas City, Kan.: "Trinity", Mrs. John Olson, Mrs. Geo. Ray.
Kansas City, Mo., "Children's Memorial": Mrs. H. E. Johnson.
Kansas City, Mo., "St. Mark's": Mrs. J. Heiffner, Mrs. Walter Selle, Mrs. C. L. Farrell.
Lancaster: Mrs. Gustav Hinz.
Lawrence: Mrs. H. T. Jost, Mrs. Clara Messenheimer.
Moray (Troy, Kan.): Miss Sallie Dannewick.
Sedalia, Mo.: Mrs. Q. A. Morgan.

St. Joseph, Mo.: Mrs. J. H. Gloggner, Mrs. C. F. King, Mrs. Milton Schwalm, Mrs. O. H Schmidt
Topeka: Mrs. C. E. Blackburn, Mrs. A. V. Lindell.
Valley Falls: Mrs. A. J. Knouse.

Southern Conference

Emporia: Mrs. E. T. Anderson.
Fort Smith, Ark.: Mrs. C. P. Karriker.
Hutchinson: Mrs. E. R. Harrison.
Wichita: Mrs. Geo. E. Walker, Mrs. R. L. Tonsing, Mrs. A. D. Havekost.

Western Conference

Abilene: Mrs. Fuller Bergstresser, Emma Wolf.
Beloit: Mrs. Wm. Deschner.
Greenleaf: Mrs. D. Combow.
Hays: Mrs. A. F. Swanson.
Salina: Mrs. Ernest Wissing.
Wakeeney: Mrs. G. C. Schaub.
Waterville, "St. Mark's": Miss Maud Livers.
Wilson: Mrs. Ralph Vague, Mrs. Bertha Weinhold.

Y. W. M. S.

Eastern Conference

Atchison: Miss Mabel Fink.
Kansas City, Kan., "Trinity": Miss Margaret Olsen, Mrs. S. C. Britton.
Kansas City, Mo. "Children's Memorial": Winifred Goult.
Valley Falls: Mrs. Harold B. Trimble.

Southern Conference

Hutchinson: Mrs. Margaret Wells.
Oklahoma City, Okla.: Mrs. F. A. Swanson, Miss Esther Olson.
Wichita: Miss Melba Kimmell, Miss Carolyn Lengel.

Western Conference

Glasco: Mrs. M. P. Englehardt.
Glasco, "Daughters of St. Paul's": Miss Melva Williams.

After roll call the minutes of the Executive Board meeting were read. Report as follows:

The Executive Board met in St. Mark's Lutheran Church, Atchison, Kansas, Monday evening, April 1, 1940 at 6:15 P.M., with fourteen officers and secretaries present. The meeting was opend with a prayer by our president, Mrs. F. W. Juergensen..

A discussion was held concerning the Triennial Convention Expense Fund. The Treasurer announced a deficit of $67.55 in this fund.

It was moved and carried that the following recommendations be submitted.

1. That the offerings of the convention be placed into the Synodical fund.
2. That the doors remain closed during the devotional periods of the convention.

Mrs. Juergensen led a discussion on the program of the convention. The meeting closed with a prayer circle.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Geo. L. Search, Recording Sec'y.

Motions were made that recommendations 1 and 2 of the Executive Board meeting be accepted as read. So carried.

It was announced that we have a new Y. W. M. S. at Topeka, Kansas and that the Y. W. M. S. at Bendena is now known as W. M. S. Circle No. 2.

Mrs. F. W. Juergensen presented Mrs. Leslie Long, President of the W. M. S. Atchison, Kansas, who very graciously extended greetings to

the convention. Miss Margaret Olsen, President of the Y. W. M. S. of "Trinity" Kansas City, Kansas responded to this greeting.

Mrs. Paul Tonsing, Program chairman, made a motion that the program be accepted as prepared and published. Motion carried.

Convention Committees

The president announced the following convention committees:

Reporters: To Kansas Synod Lutheran—Mrs. Paul Tonsing.
To the Lutheran Woman's Work—Miss Melba Kimmel.
To the Lutheran—Mrs. Charles A. Harkness Jr.
To the Local Papers—Mrs. Leslie Long.

Greetings to Synod: Mrs. Alfred J. Beil.

Officers' Reports: Mrs. E. R. Harrison, Mrs. R. E. Gaston, Mrs. J. O. Heiffner, Mrs. C. C. Emmerich.

Education & Department Secretaries: Mrs. W. W. Wessen, Mrs. C. F. King, Mrs. M. P. Englehardt, Mrs. A. D. Havekost.

Resolutions: Mrs. C. P Karriker, Mrs. Alfred Beil, Mrs. G. C. Schaub.

Committee on Secretaries Minutes: Mrs. E. P. Boersch, Mrs. Ed Goult.

Committee on Claims: Mrs. W. C. Jacobson, Mrs. John Olsen, Mrs. Bertha Weinhold.

Letters and Communications: Mrs. Geo. E. Walker, Miss Esther Olson, Mrs. S. C. Britton.

Auditing: Mrs. Geo. C. Smith, Mrs. F. W. Juergensen.

Tellers and Pages: Mrs. R. L. Tonsing, Miss Carolyn Lengel, Mrs. Margaret Wells, Miss Melva Williams.

The courtesy chairman, Mrs. W. W. Klover, presented our convention guests; Miss Ruth Juram, Promotional Secretary, of Philadelphia, Pa., and Mrs. M. R. Hamsher, of the Central Penn. Synod, of Harrisburg, Pa. Pastor's wives presented were Mrs. M. P. Englehardt of Glasco, Kansas, Mrs. A. D. Havekost of Wichita, Kansas, and Mrs. S. A. Hamrick, the wife of our host pastor.

Mrs. O. W. Ebright, chairman of the nominating committee, presented the ballots.

Letters were read from "Our Own Lilith Schwab" and from Mrs. G. K. Mykland, Historian and Educational Secretary. Mrs. Mykland was in Cristobel, Canal Zone.

The closing meditations "Moments with the Master" were given by Miss Mabel Fink.

TUESDAY, 1:30 P.M.

The Theme of the Convention "Thy Kingdom Come" was beautifully interpreted for us throughout the four devotional periods by Mrs. Geo. C. Smith of Oklahoma City, Okla. The first Devotional "Thy Kingdom Come - In Me" was presented very ably by Mrs. Smith. The Convention Text was: Thy Kingdom Come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in Heaven. Matt: 6:10.

Mrs. J. P. Jensen had charge of a very impressive Life Membership and In Memoriam Shower. Two In Memoriam memberships were received and twelve Life Members were presented. For the ones who have gone on we Thank the Father and for the lives of the Life Members we pray for God's blessing upon them.

After roll call the minutes of the morning session were read and a motion made and carried to refer them to the committee on Secretary's Minutes.

The first ballot was received by the convention and by motions the nominations were closed for President, Recording Secretary, Treasurer, Statistical Secretary, Young Women's Secretary and Historian & Educational Secretary. A motion was made that all Life Members present be given the privilege of a vote. Carried. The vote was taken while the program proceeded.

Mrs. W. W. Wessen, first vice-president, presided while Mrs. F. W. Juergensen read her report.

President's Report

Through the grace and mercy of our Heavenly Father the Women's Missionary Society of the Synod of Kansas and Adjacent States is privileged to assemble in it's Sixtieth Annual Convention. With a deep sense of humility and grateful appreciation for guidance in the past we ask God's continued blessing on our every effort as we work together in the years to come that the Kingdom may come into the hearts of all mankind.

It is a pleasure to call your attention to the reports of your treasurer and the department secretaries. We note with regret that even though many local societies endeavored to increase their membership at least ten per cent our statistician is forced to record a loss in active membership of twenty less than a year ago. May I challenge you to examine yourself? What have we done as individuals to cause this organization to grow; or what have we failed to do that has hindered the progress of such Missionary work? We might well ask ourselves what is wrong with our meetings, or our way of presenting the lessons that they dont' appeal to others so that they may share with us the rich experiences we have as members of the Missionary Society. There are hundreds of uninterested women in our Churches. A woman is uninterested because she is unawakened spiritually, and our task is to inform and enrich her spirit. I think we are all willing to agree that after sixty years there is still much to be done. Let us reconsecrate ourselves to our task as we go forward to new achievements for the Master.

We are again grateful for the support in full of Our Own Missionary Lilith Schwab. This is the second year that we have attained our goal of full support, and may it never be said of us that we have failed to keep our goal in the future. Truly this is a sign of "Advance."

Last year we accepted an additional "Special" for Canadian Lutheran Work. This was to give us an avenue to contribute something special under the triennial "Advance in Christian Stewardship." We were practically the only Synodical Society that didn't take a special for the Triennium, and while we have not promised to give a certain amount for this work we regret that many of our local organizations do not include in their programs certain vital parts of the Missionary work that is adopted at the Synodical Convention. If your society is planning on having a part in this it should be taken care of by this next quarter in June.

Our various departments give each of us a chance to Serve in many different ways. What we have accomplished for the Lord's work is gratifying, but what we could do for the Master is limitless if we were to cultivate our prayer life. If we were to pray for a better understanding of God's plan for service and pray that we might be found faithful stewards of our time, talents and possessions which He has so graciously endowed us with. When we thing that over half of the people of the world are at war, and that the Lutheran Church and Lutherans the world over are suffering more than any other Protestant denomination it should challenge us to live more Christlike lives.

The first Lutheran Leadership Training Camp held last June at Camp Wa-Shun-Ga was planned to include the Missionary Society. Any who were able to attend came away with the feeling that surely that was a place for information and eduction for our Church work. This June another camp is to be held and we urge more of our members to avail themselves of this delightful experience. This camp is a great forward step for the women's Missionary Society.

The program of The Children of the Church remains as a challenge to every member of the organization. Under the able leadership of Mrs. Ebright this new work has moved forward, but we are still considered the "Promotional Agency" and we have a responsibility until this program is carried out in every church of our Synod. As the grandmothers, mothers

and sisters we should be vitally interested in the training of the future leaders of our Church.

Under the guidance of Mrs. Wessen many of our Eastern Conference Churches enjoyed the privilege of hearing Miss Helene Harder, Missionary from Japan, during the Epiphany Season.

The past year has had many changes. Missionaries with long years of service have retired, while others have had to lay down their work on account of their health. Some have gone to abide with the Father. We thank God for these beautiful lives, and in our memory they shall live on to ever encourage us to be Steadfast in the Faith.

We greatly appreciate the untiring service rendered to the General Board by our Board Member, Mrs. J. P. Jensen. Her valuable contribution to this new special of "100 Years In India" by designing the offering envelope and planning for a program on this topic is commendable. We would also mention that Mrs. G. K. Mykland was invited to teach the Home Mission book at the Midland Assembly the past summer. Mrs. O. W. Ebright has given many valuable suggestions on the Children of the Church and also aided in the publicity.

During the past year I have been privileged to visit the Lutheran Hospice at Reading, Penn. I also visited with Sister Emma Holm who entered Deaconess training from Oklahoma City. She so graciously took me through and explained to me in detail the Mary E. Drexil Motherhouse of Philadelphia and also the Lankenau Crippled Children's Hospital.

My personal record for the past year is as follows: I have attended the Conference of Synodical Presidents called by Mrs. Gardner and held in Philadelphia Jan. 30 and 31, 1940. Having resided in three different cities this past year has brought me into personal touch with seven of our local societies. I have attended 22 meetings, conducted one Luther League meeting on Missions, delivered 7 addresses, attended two Conference Rallies and sent a message to the other Rally. I have written eight articles for the Kansas Synod Lutheran, and have written 811 letters and cards.

As your retiring president I wish to thank you, my faithful Board, for your faithful work. I also wish to express my hearty appreciation to everyone in the local societies. I consider it a very great privilege to have been counted worthy to serve you these past two years. If together we have achieved anything, let all the praise and glory be to our Heavenly Father.

For my successor I plead for your same loyal support. May we all pray earnestly "Thy Kingdom Come."

Humbly Yours,

Mrs. F. W. Juergensen
Synodical President

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. That we pray for "Peace."
2. That we earnestly strive to build up our membership in all our local societies.
3. That we continue to fully support our Missionary, Miss Lilith Schwab.
4. That all Synodical Department Secretaries keep note books, filing within all information pertaining to the department, in order to have something valuable to the Missionary Work to pass on from year to year as new workers are enlisted.
5. That a committee on "Constitution" be appointed by the newly elected President, and that she be a member of this committee. This committee is to consider changing the Young Women's Secretary to a Promotional Secretary with a wider scope of work

involved. They are to consider changing all articles and sections and make the proper corrections in regard to the former Light Brigade. Articles 6 Section 7 should be changed to conform with requirements from the General Statistician, namely that one report be collected a year by our Synodical Statistician in December quarter and used for our yearly report to the General Society. Notice by this committee is to be published in the Kansas Synod Lutheran next spring far enough in advance to make necessary changes at the next convention as is stated in our present constitution.

6. That the Synodical Treasurer and Statistician be permitted to compare their records at the close of the year, and necessary steps be taken to check up on discrepancies.
7. That we continue to promote the program of "The Children of The Church."
8. That we continue our method of publicity through the Kansas Synod Lutheran, and that each department secretary feel it her duty to use her space accordingly:
   January: Mission Study and Visitation.
   February: Deaconess and Annuity.
   March: Industrial.
   April: Box Work.
   May: Life Membership and In Memoriam.
   June: Young Women and The Children of the Church.
   July: Patron and Protege.
   October: Thank Offering.
   November: Magazine and Missionary Advance.
9. That we give our hearty support to the new "Special" known as "100 Years In India" contributing through Birthday Offerings of not less than one dollar per member between now and January 1, 1942.

A motion was made that the president's report be referred to the proper committee. So carried.

Next on the program was the treasurer's report, by Mrs. W. C. Jacobson and the report of the Statistician, given by Miss Stella Ehret.

The results of the first ballot were as follows: President, Mrs. W. W. Klover, Kansas City, Kan.; Recording Secretary, Miss Helen Fink, Atchison, Ks.; Treasurer, Mrs. W. C. Jacobson was re-elected; Statistical Secretary, Miss Stella Ehret was re-elected; Young Women's Secretary, Mrs. F. W. Juergensen, Oklahoma City, Okla., Historian & Educational Secretary, Mrs. G. K. Mykland was re-elected.

"Thy Kingdom Come Through Me" was a period of discussion. The convention was divided into four groups. One group consisted of local society presidents led by Mrs. J. P. Jensen. The other three groups discussed problems and departmental work concerning local societies, led by Mrs. W. W. Wessen, Mrs. E. P. Boersch and Mrs. G. E. McReynolds.

Mrs. W. W. Klover presented Dr. A. M. Knudsen, Secretary of English Missions of the Board of American Missions, Chicago, Ill.

Miss Helen Fink had charge of the closing meditations.

TUESDAY, 7:45 P.M.

At 7:45 p.m. the W. M. S. assembled with the Synodical body for a worship service. The addresses were given by Miss Ruth Juram, Promotional Secretary of Philadelphia, Pa., and Rev. M. R. Hamsher, official representative for the U.L.C.A., President of the Central Penn. Synod, Harrisburg, Pa.

WEDNESDAY, 8:45 A.M.

The convention assembled and was led in devotions by Mrs. Geo. C. Smith who used as her theme: "Thy Kingdom Come - In the Church."

After several announcements Mrs. W. W. Klover introduced Dr. W. F. Rangeler, Fremont, Nebr., representative of Midland College. Also Dr. O. W. Ebright of Emporia, who passed out mimeographed information concerning the Lutheran Leadership Training Camp which is to be held at Camp Wa-Shun-Ga June 23-28, 1940. Rev. A. J. Beil of Topeka was introduced and brought "Greetings" to our convention from the Synod Body.

Mrs. O. W. Ebright, secretary of the Children of the Church, gave information in promoting the program in the church for the children. Motions were made separately that the four recommendations made by Mrs. Ebright in her report (See report on Children of the Church) be accepted. Motions were carried.

Miss Ruth Juram gave a very interesting talk about her promotional work, outlining the programs for the next year. She illustrated by posters and books many grand ways in which we can improve our meetings each month in our local societies. In connection with this Mrs. J. P. Jensen announced what literature she had for sale in the educational department.

After a short intermission Mrs. J. P. Jensen, our board member brought us information of how our general Board functions and how efficiently this group works in promoting the work of "The Kingdom." We were happy to know that our Synodical Society is considered a model and to learn that we are fourteenth in the line of Synodical Societies in contributing per capita.

Mrs. Jensen also recommended, "That the tenure of the president be that of the time between conventions as decreed by the general constitution." It was moved that this recommendation be accepted. Carried.

After the closing meditation by Miss Mabel Fink, the convention adjourned at 11:30 a.m. to hear a message by Rev. W. H. Traub, Litt. D., D.D., inspirational speaker for the Synodical body.

WEDNESDAY, 1:30 P.M.

"Thy Kingdom Come - In America" was the theme used by Mrs. Geo. C. Smith for the devotional in opening the afternoon session.

After several announcements Mrs. F. W. Juergensen read a telegram received from Mrs. Fred Weertz, president of the W. M. S. of the Iowa Synod, inviting the women of Kansas to attend the General Convention in Des Moines, October 5-9. Convention Chatter, given by Mrs. Hester Humphrey, Miss Ruth Juram, Mrs. R. E. Gaston, Mrs. Charles Harkness Jr., Mrs. Ed. Goult and Mrs. J. P. Jensen was in the form of short talks to interest women to attend the Convention in Des Moines.

This year the W. M. S. of Kansas and Adjacent States celebrate their 60th birthday anniversary. In commemoration of this Miss Sarah Grittman of Topeka, prepared a splendid paper entitled "Sixty Years of Service in the Master's Name." It was read by Mrs. A. J. Beil, of Topeka.

In commemoration of one hundred years of missionary service of the Lutheran Church in India, an anniversary gift of $50,000 is to be made by the Women's Missionary Societies of America. Mrs. Juergensen presented this to the convention basing her talk on the little pamphlet "One Hundred Years In India." A birthday gift of the materials needed for this project were presented by Mrs. Juergensen to each local society president.

After this presentation the W. M. S. of Lawrence, Kansas, brought the first birthday gift offering of $12.00 for this anniversary gift.

Mrs. W. W. Klover presented Mrs. Martin Schroeder of Lincoln, Nebr., who is a member of the W. M. S. of the Midwest Synod.

Miss Lillian E. Dentinger, Parish Worker of St. Mark's, Kansas City, Mo., in her talk on "Visitation," explained the meaning of visita-

tion and how it may be worked and developed in all church work. She said, "Jesus was the first visitation secretary."

A special treat was had by the convention when Dr. Andreas Bard, the President of Synod gave a review on the book "Grapes of Wrath." In view of the fact that we are going to study Migrant Work this next year, we were all interested in the problem contained in this book. It was a challenge to all who heard this to do whatever we can to make this world a little better place for the children of God to live in.

Mrs. C. L. Talbott, Young Women's Secretary gave a very appropriate talk on "Looking to the Future."

Mrs. Juergensen closed the session with prayer.

WEDNESDAY, 6:45 P.M.

The Y.W.M.S. of Atchison sponsored a banquet at the Methodist Church basement. Mrs. Leslie Long of Atchison was Toastmistress. The address was given by Miss Ruth Juram on the new special "100 Years In India." There was pep singing by all ending with the singing of the hymn "Living For Jesus." The Luther League of Atchison presented a beautiful pageant "The Lord's Prayer." The attendance at this banquet was over 200.

THURSDAY, 8:45 A.M.

The convention was led in devotions by Mrs. Geo. C. Smith who used as her theme: "Thy Kingdom Come - In The World."

The second ballot was presented by Mrs. O. W. Ebright.

A motion was made that nominations for Southern Conference President be closed. Carried.

After a nomination from the floor, a motion was made that nominations for the Western Conference President be closed. So carried.

After a nomination from the floor, a motion was made that nominations for Eastern Conference President be closed. So carried.

Motion was made that nominations for Industrial Secretary be closed. So carried.

After several nominations from the floor, a motion was made that nominations for Delegates to the Des Moines Convention be closed. So carried.

Mrs. W. W. Klover presented Rev. M. A. Ritzen, D.D. Superintendent of Tabitha Home, Lincoln, Nebr. Who talked on the needs of a new building at Tabitha.

Reports of Convention Committees was the next order of business.

Committee Report On Officers' Reports

After due deliberation the committee on Officer's Reports, submits the following recommendations of the President's report to be adopted. (See recommendations in the President's report).

The time and effort of our President that has been expended to her office has been greatly appreciated.

The other officers are commended for their splendid reports and accurate records that are so necessary in helping to carry on the Master's work.

We recommend that the reports of the officers be accepted as read.

Mrs. E. R. Harrison, Chairman
Mrs. R. E. Gaston
Mrs. J. O. Heiffner
Mrs. C. C. Emmerich

A motion was made for each recommendation that it be accepted as read. Each motion carried.

A motion was then made to accept the Officers' Report as a whole. So carried.

Committee Report On Education And Department Secretaries

Your committee wishes to call attention to the fine reports of the Education and Department Secretaries as shown in the pages of your programs, and to the evidences therein of much faithful service on the part of the secretaries and the signs of growth and advancement in these different fields of endeavor.

May we urge all members to carefully study these reports and use them from time to time in connection with local work for instruction and inspiration, and especially, to give heed to the recommendations therein made.

We extend to these secretaries our thanks for their service.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. W. W. Wessen
Mrs. C. F. King
Mrs. M. P. Englehardt
Mrs. A. D. Havekost

On motion, this report was accepted as read. So carried.

Report Of Committee On Resolutions

At the conclusion of this, the Sixtieth Annual Convention of the W.M.S. of the Synod of Kansas and Adjacent States, we thank God for His continued blessing upon us. In recognition of His goodness we the committee on resolutions, present the following:

1. That we express our sincerest appreciation to the Rev. Mr. Hamrick and Mrs. Hamrick and members and friends of St. Mark's congregation for their cordial hospitality and their consideration for our comfort during the sessions of the convention.
2. That we express gratitude to Mrs. F. W. Juergensen for the sweet Christian spirit with which she has conducted the sessions of our convention and for the devotion and zeal she has manifested for the work of His Kingdom during her term as president. We also commend the officers and department secretaries for their untiring efforts throughout the year.
3. That we express our sincere appreciation to Miss Juram for her unique and enthusiastic presentation.
4. That we owe a debt of gratitude to the choir of St. Mark's church for their assistance in the joint service Tuesday evening, and to Miss Juram and Dr. Hamsher for their inspiring messages.
5. Finally, that we resolve to carry the convention theme "Thy Kingdom Come" into our daily living that through us His Kingdom may truly come in our own communities.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. C. P. Karriker
Mrs. Alfred J. Beil
Mrs. G. C. Schaub

Motion was made and seconded that this report be accepted as read. So carried.

Report Of Committee On Secretary's Minutes

We, the committee on Secretary's Minutes have read them and find them correct therefore they stand approved.

Mrs. E. P. Boersch
Mrs. E. A. Goult

Motion was made that this report be accepted as read and that this committee read and approve the minutes of the last session. So carried.

REPORT OF CLAIMS COMMITTEE

Mrs. F. W. Juergensen, President	$ 32.63
Mrs. Geo. L. Search, Recording Secretary	5.00
Miss Stella Ehret, Statistical Secretary	14.50
Mrs. W. C. Jacobson, Treasurer	17.00
Mrs. E. J. Netzer, Industrial Secretary	2.00
Mrs. C. L. Talbott, Young Women's Secretary	2.00
Mrs. W. W. Wessen, First Vice-President	.75
Mrs. E. P. Boersch, Missionary Advance Secretary	1.50
Mrs. Geo. C. Smith, Visitation Secretary	.75
Mrs. W. H. Moeller, Magazine Secretary	1.53
Mrs. J. P. Jensen, Life Membership & In Memoriam Secretary	2.50
Mrs. O. W. Ebright, Nominating Com. Chairman	1.43
Mrs. W. W. Klover, Courtesy Chairman	1.58
Miss Ruth Juram, Guest Speaker	20.00
Mrs. O. W. Ebright, Children of the Church Sec. (1-3 expense)	1.98
Total	$105.15

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. W. C. Jacobson, Chairman
Mrs. John Olsen
Mrs. Bertha Weinhold

Motion was made that this report be accepted as read and that the Treasurer be allowed to add the postage expense claims of the four absentees. So carried.

Report On Letters And Communications

The following letters and cards have been written and mailed:

Mrs. G. K. Mykland—Cristobal, Canal Zone.
Miss Lilith Schwab—Repalle, India.
Rev. and Mrs. George Whittecar—324 S. Gillette, Tulsa, Okla.
Mrs. Max Gilmer—Valley Falls, Ks.
Mrs. B. P. Sibole—214 E. 24th., Tulsa, Okla.
Mrs. W. H. Moeller—1207 Fort St., Hays, Ks.
Mrs. F. M. Porch—% Peter Caldwell, Topeka, Ks.
Miss Myrtle Wilkie—Johns Hopkins Hospital, Baltimore, Md.
Mrs. F. J. Weertz—815 18th St., Des Moines, Iowa (Iowa State Pres.).

Submitted,
Mrs. Geo. E. Walker
Mrs. S. C. Britton
Mrs. Esther Olson

Motion was made and seconded that this report be accepted as read. So carried.

Report Of The Auditing Committee

To the Women's Missionary Society of Kansas and Adjacent States:

Having audited the books of Mrs. W. C. Jacobson, treasurer, we do hereby certify that all records are most complete and correct. At the close of business March 27, 1940, there was a cash balance on hand of $1,019.36,—which amount includes receipts of March quarter $867.70 and the Children of the Church fund of $16.83.

Verification of this balance is shown by the accompanying statement.

Committee
Mrs. Geo. C. Smith
Mrs. F. W. Juergensen

March 29, 1940

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

This letter is to certify that there was on the books of this bank at the close of business March 22nd, 1940, $1,019.36 credited to the account of Women's Missionary Society by Mrs. W. C. Jacobson, Treasurer.

Yours very truly,
Spence Miller, Cashier

SM:MP

Motion was made that this report be accepted. So carried.

The results of the second ballot were: President of the Eastern Conference and first vice-president, Mrs. R. E. Gaston; President of the Western Conference and second vice-president, Mrs. Ralph Vague; President of the Southern Conference and third vice-president, Mrs. Fred Bloch; Industrial Secretary, Mrs. Alfred J. Beil; Second Delegate to Des Moines, Mrs. F. W. Juergensen; First Alternate, Mrs. Alfred J. Beil; Second Alternate, Mrs. W. C. Jacobson.

Mrs. W. C. Jacobson announced the total convention offerings to be $63.44.

Mrs. E. P. Boersch gave a splendid talk on Missionary Advance illustrated by a poster representing a wheel attached to a motor marked spiritual power. The spokes of the wheel represened the different missionary societies and the hub designated "YOU."

A motion was made that the treasurer be authorized to pay the deficit of the Triennial Convention Expense Fund at the end of the quarter out of the Synodical Fund. So carried.

A motion was made that the Treasurer be authorized to pay the Synodical Treasurer, Mr. Bang, $40.00 toward the printing of the minutes.

The induction of Officers was performed by Mrs. F. W. Juergensen.

Miss Helen Fink conducted the closing meditations and following this Mrs. Juergensen declared the 60th Annual Convention of the Women's Missionary Society of the Synod of Kansas and Adjacent States closed.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Geo. L. Search
Recording Secretary

Reports of Officers and Secretaries Presented to the Convention

Report of First Vice-President

The Eastern Conference of the Women's Missionary Society, and the Brotherhood, met in Topeka, Sunday afternoon and evening September 24, 1939. Dr. R. Finney Markham of Washburn College spoke from his experience as a missionary in the Far East, on "Palestine—Our Cry of Race and Clan." Mrs. A. J. Beil spoke on the Thank Offering, and Mrs. J. P. Jensen brought news of interest from the General Executive Board.

A report was sent to the Conference on The Children of the Church which included some recommendations made by Mrs. O. W. Ebright. Mrs. Ray Elliot and some of the Topeka children demonstrated some of their work, displaying a little church, with appointments, which they had made. Mrs. A. A. Alderfer of the First Christian Church of Topeka, gave a story and meditation on "Recollecting Jesus."

Rev. Andreas Bard brought the message at the evening Worship Service and Rev. H. J. McGuire presided.

The offerings received made possible $15.64 for Canadian Work and $15.10 for the Lilith Schwab Fund. The attendance was very good, the program full of inspiration and the supper hour proved to be a time of good fellowship long to be remembered.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. W. W. Wessen

Report of Second Vice-President

The Western Conference met in St. John's Lutheran Church at Salina, Kansas, October 12, with an attendance of 75.

Rev. Norbert Zabel spoke on "The Crossroads of Christianity." Mrs. F. W. Juergensen brought greetings from the Synodical Society and presented the Missionary Societies' Objectives. A Children of the Church program was presented by the Salina Society, and Rev. Search led a round table discussion on problems of the Children of the Church.

The offering received was unanimously voted to be placed in the Lilith Schwab Fund. Excelsior Lutheran Church, Wilson, Kansas, extended an invitation for the 1940 Conference.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Charles A. Harkness, Jr.

Report of Third Vice-President

The Southern Conference met in Wichita, October 23. After the opening devotional service with the pastors of the Conference, the women went into separate session where the usual routine business was quickly taken care of, electing Mrs. Clifford Shupert of Tulsa as secretary.

Reports were heard from our various departments, and our treasurer, Mrs. Jacobson, though absent, sent a most helpful message after which a round table discussion was held. Our President, Mrs. Juergensen led the afternoon devotionals, giving us an inspirational talk on her visit to the Philadelphia Motherhouse. The offering received was unanimously voted to be placed in the Lilith Schwab Fund.

At the close of the Missionary Conference we joined the pastors and councilmen to hear Dr. Reinartz address the joint session. After a very impressive presentation by the Children of the Church of Wichita, the Southern Conference adjourned to meet next year in Oklahoma City.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Barton P. Sibole

Report of Box Work Secretary

Although we did not reach our goal during the past year we are deeply grateful for those expressions of love that have been made in His name to the various fields.

We recommend: That each society make a special effort during 1940 to reach the goal of "A Box, package or money gift each year from each society to some Mission Field," suggesting that they select a different field each year. This will give them a deeper personal contact with the various fields, their work and workers and deepen the missionary interest and zeal of the members of each society.

Let us continue to PRAY, WORK and SHARE—thus helping, through this department, to extend His Kingdom.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. G. E. McReynolds

Report of Student Secretary

In response to the survey made by the student secretary in co-operation with the Student Work committee of the Synod, reports on the names of young people atttending colleges and other institutions were received from 38 Churches. These reports listed 251 students, 109 men and 131 women, of whom 11 are attending Lutheran institutions. This represents a slight increase in students from our Synod in attendance at Midland and other Lutheran schools. May each missionary woman continually co-operate in encouraging and directing the youth of our churches to our own institutions.

An article relating to this department's work appeared in the K.S.L. in September.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. George R. Whittecar

Report of Deaconess Secretary

Sister Emma Holm, Oklahoma City, the only representative from this Synod preparing for deaconess work, is now in her fourth year of training at the Philadelphia Motherhouse.

An article relative to this Department's work appeared in the Kansas Synod Lutheran in February. Several individuals have been contacted in the hope that they may be enccuraged to become Deaconesses, Parish workers or to take up some other institutional work of the Church, I have especially in mind four young ladies, Miss Idah Gallentine, Clayton, Kansas; Miss Carolyn Lengel, Wichita, Miss Avis Klover, Abilene, and Miss Louise Easterday, of Topeka.

I am very grateful to have served these two years as your Deaconess Secretary. It has been a real pleasure to me, good experience and the source of many new friends and acquaintances.

Respectfully submitted,
Miss Birdean Miles,

Report of Visitation Secretary

Many societies have not reported. However, there is a growing interest in this department. From our 33 Women's Societies, 15 reported, and 579 homes have been visited during the year, 193 "Quarterly Visitors" have been distributed. While we cannot report new members as a result of calling and "Visitor" distribution, an increased interest has been noted in various phases of the work of the church through the Visitation department. Many such items do not appear in our reports but they do show encouragement and Advancement.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Geo. C. Smith

Report of Mission Study and Lenten Week of Prayer

Letters were sent to every society in the Synod urging them to take advantage of many fine books so that we might all have a greater knowledge of our mission fields. One article was written for the Kansas Synod Lutheran in regard to this department. The Lenten week of Prayer was stressed, and from all reports from different groups show an increased interest.

Our own Mrs. G. K. Mykland reviewed the Home Mission book at the Midland Assembly.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. C. L. Canfield

Report of Historian and Education Secretary

A copy of the 1939 Synodical Minutes and each issue of the Kansas Synod Lutheran has been added to the files.

The papers are being preserved in loose leaf binders and the old letters of historical value are also filed that they may be easier of access. Your Secretary gave three addresses in the interest of the work and taught the Home Mission book at Midland Assembly this year.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. G. K. Mykland

Report of Patron and Protege Secretary

W.M.S.		
Atchison, Kansas—Native worker in India	$ 50.00	
Cole Camp, Mo.—Kindergarten Pupil in Japan	5.00	
Hutchinson, Kansas—Scholarship in Japan	5.00	
Kansas City, Kansas—Kindergarten Pupil, Hakata, Japan	5.00	
Rock Port, Missouri—Native Bible Woman in India	50.00	
St. Joseph, Missouri—India Teacher, Charlotte Swenson Mem.	50.00	
Wakeeney, Kansas—Kindergarten Pupil in Japan	5.00	
Wichita, Kansas—African Student	40.00	$210.00
Y.W.M.S.		
Kansas City, Mo. (Chil. Mem.)—African Student	$ 40.00	
Wichita, Kansas—Native Bible Worker India	50.00	
Wichita, Kansas—Kindergarten Pupil, Japan	15.00	
Wichita, Kansas—Helen Bushow, Protege Tabitha Home	120.00	$215.00
Total		$425.00

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. R. E. Gaston.

Report of Young Women's Secretary

"To every man there openeth a high way and a low, and every man decideth which way his soul shall go."

Two hundred and ninety-eight young women of the Kansas Synod have chosen the high way of service. They have become an integral part of our great missionary society, and are one with them in the extension of Christ's Kingdom on earth.

May this be the pledge of every young woman in the Kansas Synod for the coming year.

Just as I am, young, strong and free,
To be the best that I can be

For truth and righteousness, and Thee,
Lord of my life, I come!

Respecfully submitted,
Mrs. C. L. Talbott

Report of Missionary Advance

"What you are is God's gift to you
What you make of yourself is your gift to Him."

Our gift to Him this year is again the support of Lilith Schwab in full. From our Christmas offerings, our Lenten Self-Denial offerings and special gifts, we have a generous amount to report for Canadian Lutheran Work. These are figures in black and white.

Only by our lives, by the work we do in our missionary organization, in our Synod, can we see any definite results of Missionary Advance for that deals more with spiritual things. Anything new is slow of growth but if watered and cared for tenderly it will flourish and grow into a thing of joy and beauty forever. So Missionary Advance will gradually grow until we all are serving our Lord with all the talents and possessions He has bestowed upon us. Missionary Advance is a matter of personal Christian Stewardship. It all depends on YOU.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. E. P. Boersch

Report of Annuity Secretary

Two Annuity Bonds have been issued this past year as follows:

Abilene, Kansas.	$100.00
Wichita, Kansas.	$100.00

A letter has been sent to the president of every Society with the leaflet "The Annuity Plan" enclosed. We trust that the benefits and blessings of Annuity Bonds will influence our members to invest more generally in the near future.

Respectfully submitted,
Hester W. Humphrey

Report of Life and In Memoriam Secretary

Life and In Memoriam Memberships are given: to honor our loved ones, and to further the cause of missions.

Two promotional letters were sent to each society. See reports of treasurer and statistician for number of memberships given, and by whom.

Please note: All remittances MUST go to the treasurer of OUR Synodical W.M.S. See these minutes for her name and address. Also: Please include name and address of recipient, of donor, of church and of the organization through which the membership is given.

Respectfully submitted,
Magda K. Jensen

Children of the Church

During the past year 19 of the 41 congregations or groups listed on our Synodical roll have introduced the Program of The Children of the Church. A total of 600 children under twelve years of age, in our Synod, are being developed in a more effective life of Christian faith and love through this splendid Program. There are 87 adults who have accepted the responsibility of leadership. Thirteen of the groups have sent an offering of $182.64 for the 18 objectives for which the Children are responsible. Nine groups held Children's Fall Festivals. Three congregations used this Program for Vacation Bible School.

Every congregation in our Synod has been sent literature and information regarding this program. It was presented, in some form, at each Conference meeting. A Unit Study was given at the Leadership Training Camp in June, with 19 children enrolled in this group. Plans are being made for the study of another Unit at the camp this coming summer.

With regret, we report the necessity of canceling a visit to our Synod of the General Secretary because of conflict with Conferences of other groups. Since this is the year of the U.L.C.A. Convention, at which time this Children's Program will be "weighed in the balance," we have earnestly endeavored to interest the leaders of our Synod in greater support of the program that some General representative of this program might be present at Convention to clarify the program, encourage and enlighten and inspire pastors and local leaders.

For this year of 1940 we recommend four things:

1. A more thorough study of the literature and units of study of this Program by pastors.

2. A definite program of prayer for the overcoming of local obstacles and finding leaders.

3. That the way may be cleared by other church groups, in the fall of this year, for the observance of Children's Festivals in conjunction with other programs.

4. That the Synodical Children of the Church Secretary and Treasurer be appointed each year at the time of Convention.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. O. W. Ebright,
Synodical Children of the Church Sec.

Report of Thank Offering Secretary

Through prayer and gifts it is possible to share with all the world God's greatest gift to men, His Son. A Thank-Offering is a daily act of joyful worship motivated by a sense of gratitude to God, and expressed through a stewardship of prayer and of gifts. Our Thank-Offering for 1939 was about twenty-six per cent of entire receipts which went through our treasury. In our General Society one-fourth of the entire budget of the W.M.S. is cared for from the Love Offerings in the Thank-Offering Boxes. According to reports 23 Societies show an increase in Thank-Offering. Let us all strive for an increase this new year. Remember this is our Love Gift to Our Christ.

"Give as you would of your substance,
If His hand the offering took."

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. C. C. Emmerich

Report of Magazine Secretary

	1938	1939	GAIN
Subscriptions W.M.S.	489	495	6
Subscriptions Y.W.M.S.	83	96	13
Total Gain			19

The gain in the Y.W.M.S. is commendable. The smaller W.M.S. showed the greatest gains for the year. Last year we showed a gain of only two. This year nineteen. It is urged that all societies endeavor to keep and increase the present gains and help Kansas Synod maintain her place among the Mission Minded Synods of the Church.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Walter H. Moeller

Report of Industrial Secretary

	Bead Work	India Lace Sold	Lace Day Offerings
Women's Societies	$44.45	$312.37	$96.38
Young Women's Societies	-	24.93	
Sold by Secretary at Kansas City Convention	8.40	22.60	
	$52.85	$359.90	$96.38

Hearty thanks to everyone for their co-operation in making this year's record show $217.47 more than last year's sale of India Laces. Please remember that the India Lace Day should be held sometime during the month of May and the offering sent to the Synodical Treasurer through the Women's Missionary Society. The report of the lace sales are made to the Statistical Secretary in order to get credit for same. Correspondence was taken care of and one article written for the K.S.L.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. E. J. Netzer

WOMEN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY—SYOND OF KANSAS AND ADJACENT STATES—TREASURER'S REPORT

January 1, 1939 to December 31, 1939

	Freewill Offering	Festival Offering	General Fund	Triennial Fund	Synodical Fund	Thank Offering	World Day Of Prayer	Lenten Self-Denial	Christmas Offering	Lilith Schwab	Life Membership	In Memoriam	Honorary Memberships	Visitation	Annuity Bond	China Relief	Triennial Spec. Canadian Work	Rentichintala Hospital India	India Lace Offering	Elvira Strunk Mission	Church In India	Gossner Mission India	Patron and Protege	Canada Dis. Relief	Tabitha Home	TOTALS
W. M. S.																										290.00
Abilene, Kansas			48.00	2.00	4.00	58.05		4.35	5.00	50.00	10.00				100.00				8.60							183.16
Atchison, Kansas			30.00	2.50	5.00	36.17		4.34	5.75	36.00	10.00								3.40				50.00			37.96
Beloit, Kansas			10.80	.70		12.26				13.50							.70									45.00
Bendena, Kansas			24.00			11.00				10.00																19.00
Bendena, Kan., "Circle 2"			8.00			8.00			3.00																	57.40
Chapman, Kansas			18.00	1.30	2.60	25.50				10.00													5.00			28.18
Cole Camp, Mo.			9.57			13 61													2.79						28.00	99.64
Emporia, Kansas			16.80	1.40	2.80	20.49		6.36		21.00												3.00				73.75
Eureka, Kansas			20.25	3.00	6.00					41.50																70.51
Ft. Smith, Ark.			24.55	1.70	3.40	13.96		2.30		24.60																70.53
Greenleaf, Kansas			17.70	2.30	1.60	23.30	2.23			23.40									4.50	6.44						124.95
Hays, Kansas			19.20		3 20	51.01		4.60	2.00	24.00	10.00												5.00			32.38
Hutchinson, Kansas			9.95	.80		11.43				5.20									4.00				5.00		5.00	110.31
Kansas City, Kansas			19.20	1.60	3.20	25.21		9.50	7.25	24.00	10.00						5.35									136.20
K. C., Mo. "Chil. Mem."			22.20	1.90	3.80	56.00				31.30			1.00			10.00		10.00								288.90
K. C., Mo., "St. Mark's"			41.60	3.60	7.20	100.00			10.00	54.00	60.00								12.50							111.80
Lancaster, Kansas			24.10	1.80	3.60	34.30				28.00	20.00															234.10
Lawrence, Kansas			25.20	2.30	4.60	81.00		8.50	5.00	27.50	20.00	40.00	14.00				1.00		5.00							25.50
Moray-Troy			9.90	1.10	2.20					12.30																156.15
Oklahoma City, Okla.			30.60	2.60	5.20	51.00			4.50	43.25	10.00								9.00							26.05
Peabody, Kansas			8.40	.70	1.40	10.80				4.75													50.00			50.00
Rock Port, Mo.																										156.09
Salina, Kansas			42.00	3.50	7.00	34.79				50.00	10.00		6.00	2.80												50.25
Sedalia, Mo.			14.85	1.10	2.20	17.00		5.10	2.00										8.00							355.41
St. Joseph, Mo.			43.45	4.60	9.20	107.00		19.13		69.00	10.00		25.00				5.00		13.03				50.00			67.10
Topeka, Kansas			17.40	1.30	2.90	24.50				21.00																158.28
Tulsa, Okla.			28.80	2.40	4.80	44.48		17.25		36.00	10.00								10.00		4.55					35.58
Valley Falls, Kansas			12.00	2.40		6.18				15.00																56.00
Wakeeney, Kansas			16.80	1.40	2.80	9.00				21.00													5.00			25.42
Washington, Kansas			15.42			10.00																				20.20
Waterville, Kan., "Hebron"			10.80	2.00		4.40			3.00																	25.55
Waterville, Ks. "St. Marks"			15.20	.50	1.00	2.60				6.25																38.40
Wellington, Kansas			15.30	1.20	2.40					19.50																599.89
Wichita, Kansas			37.20	3.10	6.20	140.91		13.52	6.40	46.50	40.00	15.00	27.00				200.00		16.06				40.00		8.00	50.69
Wilson, Kansas			22.40			20.67			2.62	5.00																30.74
Eastern Conference										15.10							15.64									9.51
Southern Conference										9.51																5.56
Western Conference										5.56																82.58
Conv. Off. St. Mark's K. C., Mo					82.58																					
TOTALS			729.64	54.80	180.88	1064.62	2.23	94.95	56.52	803.72	220.00	55.00	73.00	2.80	100.00	10.00	227.69	10.00	96.88	6.44	4.55	3.00	210.00		41.00	4047.72

Y. W. M. S.																														
[illegible]ison, Kansas			14.40			7.58				20.00																			41.98
[illegible]endena, Kansas			22.00																										22.00
Emporia, Kansas "Jo-En"			3.00							.20																			3.20
Glasco, Kansas			14.40	1.20	2.40	8.00		3.00	5.00	14.00																4.00			52.00
Glasco, Kansas, "Junior"			12.30			4.50																							16.80
Hays, Kansas			4.75																										4.75
Hutchinson, Kansas						3.89																							3.89
Kansas City, Kansas			25.20	2.10	4.20	18.06		8.88		21.00								3.68											83.12
K. C., Mo., "Chil. Mem."			26.55	3.25	6.50	73.85				32.50			.50					2.00							40.00				185.15
Lawrence, Kansas			13.20	1.10	2.20	6.29				11.00																			33.79
Oklahoma City, Okla.			34.80	2.90	5.80	54.04				29.00			1.00					9.01					12.00			7.50		156.05
Oklahoma City, Okla. "Joy"			7.20																										7.20
Peabody, Kansas			24.60		4.95.	23.16				10.00																	6.00		68.71
Salina, Kansas			15.60	1.30	2.60	26.56				13.00																			59.06
Tulsa, Okla.			18.60	1.50	3.00	14.81				30.00	20.00																		87.91
Valley Falls, Kansas			10.80																										10.80
Wellington, Kansas			3.00							10.00																			13.00
Wichita, Kansas			49.20	4.00	8.00	97.52	6.47	5.79	2.50	41.00	10.00		13.00		100.00			18.70							55.00		120.00		531.18
TOTALS			299.60	17.35	39.65	338.26	6.47	17.67	7.50	231.70	30.00		14.50		100.00			33.39					12.00		95.00	4.00	133.50		1380.59
The Children of the Church																													
*Bendena, Kansas			2.00			1.80																							3.80
*Hays, Kansas			1.00			2.00																							3.00
*Hutchinson, Kansas			1.00																						1.00				2.00
Atchison, Kansas	5.75	3.00																											8.75
Bendena, Kansas	3.00																												3.00
Chapman, Kansas	5.13	5.35																											10.48
Emporia, Kansas	8.21	10.00																											18.21
Glasco, Kansas	6.50	2.42																											8.92
Hutchinson, Kansas	3.15																												3.15
Kansas City, Kansas	10.58																												10.58
Lancaster, Kansas	1.50																												1.50
Lawrence, Kansas	8.36																												8.36
Oklahoma City, Oklo.	10.24	6.30																											16.54
Peabody, Kansas	6.10																												6.10
St. Joseph, Mo.	39.58	6.63																											46.21
Topeka, Kansas	4.50	3.71																											8.21
Wichita, Kansas	14.00	9.83																											23.83
TOTALS	126.60	47.24	4.00			3.80																				1.00			182.64

* 1938 Light Brigade funds sent to the Children of the Church Treasurer.

RECAPITULATION																													
W. M. S.			729.64	54.80	180.88	1064.62	2.23	94.95	56.52	803.72	220.00	55.00	73.00	2.80	100.00	10.00	227.69	10.00	96.88	6.44	4.55	3.00	210.00		41.00	4047.72
Y. W. M. S.			299.60	17.35	39.65	338.26	6.47	17.67	7.50	231.70	30.00		14.50		100.00		33.39					12.00	95.00	4.00	133.50	1380.59
The Children of the Church	135.40	47.24																											182.64
TOTAL RECEIPTS	*135.40	47.24	1029.24	72.15	220.53	1402.88	8.70	112.62	64.02	1035.42	250.00	55.00	87.50	2.80	200.00	10.00	261.08	10.00	96.88	6.44	4.55	15.00	305.00	4.00	174.50	5610.95
Bal. on hand, Dec. 31, 1938				22.75	119.81			4.66		12.15																			159.37
GRAND TOTAL	135.40	47.24	1029.24	94.90	340.34	1402.88	8.70	117.28	*64.02	1047.57	250.00	55.00	87.50	2.80	200.00	10.00	261.08	10.00	96.88	6.44	4.55	15.00	305.00	4.00	174.50	5770.32
Disbursed in 1939	135.40	47.24	1029.24	74.60	238.38	1402.88	8.70	117.28	64.02	1035.00	250.00	55.00	87.50	2.80	200.00	10.00	261.08	10.00	96.88	6.44	4.55	15.00	305.00	4.00	174.50	5635.49
Bal. in funds Dec. 31, 1939				20.30	101.96					12.57																			134.83

1st $8.80 1938 Light Brigade funds sent in as Freewill Offerings to Children of Church Treasurer.
2nd * $57.27, the amount of 1940 Christmas Offering was sent in as Triennial Special (Canadian Work) making the total remittance for the special $318.35.

Statistician's Report

WOMEN'S SOCIETIES—1939

The Women's Missionary Society of the United Lutheran Church in America

Eastern Conference

NAME OF SOCIETY AND CHURCH	Members			Thank Offering		Annuity	Patron and Protege		Week of Prayer and Self-denial			Mission Study				Visitation			Deaconesses	BOX WORK Estimated Dollars only			
	No. Societies	Active	Associate	No. Congregational T. O. Secretaries	No. Public T. O. Meetings Held	No. Bonds Taken This Year	No. Bible Women and Native Workers Supported	No. Scholarships Supported	No. Meetings Held During Week of Prayer	Total Attendance	No. Socs. Using Regular Program for Wk. of Prayer	No. Classes Type A—Each Reading Book and 4 Hrs. in Sessions	No. Book Reviews —Type B	No. Reading Circles —Type C	Total Members in Types A. B. & C.	No. Cong. Classes —Type D	No. Homes Not Connected with Society	No. Such Homes Visited	No. Single Copies "Quarterly Visitor" Distributed	No. in Service	No. Home	No. Inner	No. Foreign	Total Value
Atchison	1	27		1	1		1		5	90	1		2		20		30		24		2			13.00
Bendena	1	30	1	1																		1		12.00
Cole Camp	1	5	17	1	1			1									22							
K. C., Kans.	1	16		1	1				1	25	1		1		12									
K. C., Mo. (C.M.)	1	20	1	1																			1	5.00
K. C., Mo. (St. M.)	1	36	22	1																	2	2	3	126.00
Lancaster	1	18	1	1	1								1		12						1			5.00
Lawrence	1	21	14	1	1				1	30	1		4		30		297	134	20		2			22.00
Moray	1	13			1																			
Sedalia	1	10		1	1				5	45	1										1			5.00
St. Joseph	1	37	24	2	1		1		5	60	1						129	65						
Topeka	1	14		1	1				1	10	1													
Valley Falls	1	10	4		1				1	30	1											1		30.00
TOTALS	13	257	84	12	10		2	2	19	290	7		8		74		478	199	44		8	4	4	218.00

Southern Conference

Emporia	1	11	9	1					5	17	1	1	2		26		83	36	70			1	1	12.00
Eureka	1	20		1					1	14							40	25						
Ft. Smith	1	23		1	1				5	35	1	1		1	20		17	17	20			5		115.00
Hutchinson	1	7		1				1									25							
Oklahoma City	1	24		2	1				1	10			1		18					1		3		51.00
Peabody	1	7	1		1				1	18							40	3				1	1	7.00
Tulsa	1	24	6	2	1				5	36	1	4	1		45	4	75	40				1	1	14.00
Wellington	1	13		1	1								1		10	1						1		20.00
Wichita	1	32	27	1	1			1	6	150	1		3		46	2	15	15				3	2	85.00
TOTALS	9	161	43	10	6			2	24	280	4	6	8	1	165	7	295	136	90	1		15	5	304.00

Western Conference

Abilene	1	20		1	1	1							1		14									
Beloit	1	9			1																			
Chapman	1	15	5		1				1	25	1		2		18									
Greenleaf	1	15	3	1	1				5	50	1						10		15			3		25.00
Hays	1	20	2	1	1				7	84	1			2	20		61	40	24			3	2	15.00
Salina	1	30	8		1												450	200	20					
Wakeeney	1	14			1			1																
Washington	1	18	2		1												6	4				1		5.00
Waterville (Hebron)	1	28																						
Waterville St. Marks)	1	9	7																			2		45.00
Wilson	1	23	1		1																			
TOTALS	11	201	28	3	9	1		1	13	159	3		3	2	52		527	244	59			9	2	90.00
Year's Sum Totals	33	619	155	25	25	1	2	5	56	729	14	6	19	3	291	7	1300	579	193	1	8	28	11	612.00

Statistician's Report

YOUNG WOMEN'S SOCIETIES

Eastern Conference

	Members			Annuity	Patron and Protege		Week of Prayer and Self-denial			Mission Study			BOX WORK Est. Val. dollars only				Personnel Of Society			
	No. Societies	Active	Associate	No. Bonds Taken This Year	No. Bible Women and Native Workers Supported	No. Scholarships Supported	No. Meetings Held During Week of Prayer	Total Attendance	No. Societies Using Regular Wk. of Prayer Progs.	No. Book Reviews—Type B	No. Reading Circles—Type C	Total Members—Types A. B. & C.	No. Boxes: Home	No. Boxes: Inner	No. Boxes: Foreign	Total Value	High School Students	College Students	Business and Professional Girls	Home Makers
Atchison	1	12					1	15											11	1
Bendena	1	22	3																2	23
K. C., Kans.	1	24					1	15						1		12.00			13	11
K. C., Mo. (C.M.)	1	20	1				1	50		1		28							10	8
Lawrence	1	14	2			1							1	1		5.00		3	12	4
Topeka	1	9												1		5.00			1	1
Valley Falls	1	12	3														7		7	5
TOTALS	7	113	9			1	3	80	1	1		28	1	3		22.00	7	3	56	53
Southern Conference																				
Hutchinson	1	12	4														8	3	2	3
Okla. City, Okla.	1	28	1							1		25			2	15.00			18	10
Peabody	1	23												1		6.00			5	18
Tulsa	1	16	7								1	8	1	1		20.00		1	4	18
Wellington	1	14												2		15.00			7	7
Wichita	1	44	11	1	1	1	1	20		2		35	1	4		76.00	3		16	25
TOTALS	6	137	23	1	1	1	1	20	1	3	1	68	2	8	2	132.00	11	4	52	81
Western Conference																				
Glasco	1	13	3										1		2	7.00			6	10
Glasco, Jr.	1	12												1		4.00	6		5	1
Hays	1	12	3														15			
Salina	1	11																	10	1
TOTALS	4	48	6										1	1	2	11.00	21		21	12
YEAR'S SUM TOTALS	17	298	38	1	1	2	4	100	2	4	1	96	4	12	4	165.00	39	7	129	146

Summary

	Members			Thank Offering		Annuity	Patron and Protege		Wk. of Pray. and Self-den.			Missionary Study					Visitation			Deaconess	BOX WORK Est. Val. dollars only				Personnel Of Society			
	No. Societies	Active	Associate	No. Congregational T. O. Secretaries	No. Public T. O. Meetings Held	No. Bonds Taken This Year	No. Bible Women and Native Workers Supported	No. Scholarships Supported	No. Meetings Held During Week of Prayer	Total Attendance	No. Socs. Using Reg. Pro. for Wk. of Prayer	No. Classes Type A—Each Reading Book and 4 Hrs. in Sessions	No. Book Reviews —Type B	No. Reading Circles —Type C	Total Members Types A. B. & C.	No. Cong. Classes —Type D	No. Homes Not Connected with Society	No. Such Homes Visited	No. Single Copies "Quarterly Visitor"	No. in Service	No. Boxes: Home	No. Boxes: Inner	No. Boxes: Foreign	Total Value	High School Students	College Students	Business and Professional Girls	Home Makers
Women's Societies	33	619	155	25	25	1	2	5	56	729	14	6	19	3	291	7	1300	579	193	1	8	28	11	612.00				
Young Women's Societies	17	298	38			1	1	2	4	100	2		4	1	96						4	12	4	165.00	39	7	129	146
GRAND TOTALS	50	917	193	25	25	2	3	7	60	829	16	6	23	4	387	7	1300	579	193	1	12	40	15	777.00	39	7	129	146

ROLL OF OFFICERS WOMEN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY 1940-1941

SOCIETY	PRESIDENT	ADDRESS	STATISTICAL SECY	ADDRESS
Eastern Conference				
Atchison, Kan.	Mrs. Leslie Long	133 No. 10th St.	Mrs. Paul Tonsing	315 North Terrace
Bendena, Ks., Circle 1	Mrs. Emma Albers	Bendena, Kan.	Mrs. Martin Holzhey	Bendena, Kan.
Bendena, Ks., Circle 2	Mrs. Elbert Ladwig	R. F. D. Severence, Ks.	Miss Carrie Schwab	R. F. D. Bendena
Cole Camp, Mo.	Mrs. Lawrence Frederick	Cole Camp, Mo.	Mrs. J. T. Ahrens	Cole Camp, Mo.
K. C., Ks., "Trinity"	Mrs. W. D. Bishop	250 No. 15th St.	Mrs. G. Strunk	1053 Sandusky
K. C., Mo., "C. Mem."	Miss Katherine Jacobson	5014 East 8th St.	Miss L. Boersch	321 So. Jackson
K. C., Mo. "St. M."	Mrs. David Vetter	725 Corbin Place	Mrs. Sigrid Hogrebe	4109 Harrison
Lancaster, Kan.	Mrs. John Olson	Everest, Kan.	Mrs. Fred Kloepper Jr.	Lancaster, Kan.
Lawrence, Kan.	Mrs. Jens P. Jensen	600 La. St.	Mrs. A. E. Olson	2309 Mass. St.
Moray, Kan.	Mrs. Jacob Olson	Troy, Kan.	Mrs. Robert Elder	Troy, Kan.
Sedalia, Mo.	Mrs. F. A. Boysen	205 W. 10th St.	Mrs. E. M. Hoberecht	315 East 11th St.
St. Joseph, Mo.	Mrs. O. C. Luchsinger	2812 Francis	Mrs. J. H Gloggner	3019 So. 29th St.
Topeka, Kan.	Miss Sarah Grittman	1012 Western	Miss Selma Johanson	329 Western Ave.
Valley Falls, Kan.	Mrs. R. C. Simpson	Valley Falls, Kan.	Mrs A J. Knouse	611 Oak St.
Southern Conference				
Emporia, Kan.	Mrs. E. T. Anderson	R. F. D. Emporia, Kan.	Mrs. Geo. Mann	825 Rural St.
Eureka, Kan.	Mrs. Arnold Lewis	Eureka, Kan.	Mrs. W. E. Janes	410 No. Greenwood
Fort Smith, Ark.	Mrs. A. F. Reutzel	1906 So. 22nd St.	Mrs. C. P. Karriker	2729 North "I" St.
Hutchinson, Kan.	Mrs. L. E. Phillips	17 West 14th St.	Mrs. R. C. Massey	Hutchinson, Kan.
Oklahoma City, Okla.	Mrs. Geo. C. Smith	2402 N. W. 21st St.	Mrs. Geo. Sellman	1541 No. W. 34th St.
Peabody, Kan.	Mrs. Lizzie Frobenius	501 Olive St.	Miss Carrie Dietrich	302 Pine St.
Tulsa, Okla.	Mrs. Alta Brandborg	2647 E. 14th Place	Mrs. F. W. Hesp	1635 E. Admiral Place
Wellington, Kan.	Mrs. J. S. Meyer	404 No. Poplar	Mrs. Effie Dyarman	601 E 4th St
Wichita, Kan.	Mrs. Geo. W. Titus	1311 No. Vassar	Mrs. L. W. Bauerle	Crestview Lakes Estates
Western Conference				
Abilene Kan.	Mrs. C. L. Brainard	906 Spruceway	Mrs. J. E. Roop	R. F. D. 2, Abilene, Ka
Beloit, Kan.	Mrs. Norman Wehl	719 No. Bell St	Mrs. H. P. Anderson	408 No. Bell St.
Chapman, Kan.	Miss Alice Long	Chapman, Kan	Mrs. Dessa McFerren	Chapman, Kan.
Greenleaf, Kan.	Mrs. C. F. Mericle	Greenleaf, Kan	Mrs. L. D. Diedrichs	Greenleaf, Kan.
Hays, Kan.	Mrs. Elizabeth Stout	414 W. 13th St.	Mrs. W. H. Moeller	1207 Fort St.
Salina, Kan.	Mrs. H. J. Ruhling	305 So. 8th St.	Mrs. W. H. Craig	817 W. Ash St.
Wakeeney, Kan.	Mrs. A. J. Atherton	Wakeeney, Kan.	Mrs. Wm. H. Musseman	Wakeeney, Kan.
Washington, Kan.	Mrs. Arthur Lutjemeier	Hanover, Kan.	Mrs. Dan Stamm	Washington, Kan.
Waterville, Ks. "Hebron"	Mrs. Lillian Anderson	Waterville, Kan.	Mrs. Marie Johnson	Waterville, Kan.
Waterville, Ks. "St. M."	Mrs. Emma Runkle	Waterville, Kan.	Miss Maud Livers	Waterville, Kan.
Wilson, Kan.	Mrs. Olive Bowers	Ellsworth, Kan.	Mrs. Marion Vague	Ellsworth, Kan.

YOUNG WOMEN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY

Eastern Conference	President	Address	Statistical Secretary	Address
Atchison, Kan.	Miss Helen Fink	433 So. 6th St.	Miss Doris Pantle	607 Spring St.
K. C., Ks., "Trinity"	Miss Margaret Olsen	924 Orville Ave.	Miss Elizabeth Kepler	518 No 12th St.
K. C., Mo. "C. M."	Miss Mary Louise Meyer	321 So. Jackson	Mrs. Frances Brentlinger	400 So. Topping
Lawrence, Kan.	Miss Erma McMains	937 New Hampshire	Miss Gladys M. Shaw	1140 Penn. St.
Topeka, Kan.	Miss Marion Elliott	1317 W. 11th St.	Miss Marjorie Hawes	111 No. Taylor
Valley Falls, Kan.	Miss Nelle Pugh	Valley Falls, Kan.	Mrs. A. P. Davies	Valley Falls, Kan.
Southern Conference				
Hutchinson, Kan.	Miss Opal Briggs	20 West 12th St.	Miss Ruth Hamm	109 W. 5th St.
Oklahoma City, Okla.	Mrs. Marion Swanson	501 N. W. 24th St.	Miss Vernice Sellman	1541 N. W. 34th St.
Peabody, Kan.	Mrs. Thos. J. Snaerly	209 East 4th St.	Mrs. Max Cockley	Peabody, Kan.
Tulsa, Okla.	Mrs. E. C. Mehlhorn	1540 No. Cininnati	Mrs. Chas. D. Johnson	307 E. Virginia
Wellington, Kan.	Mrs. John Routh	Wellington, Kan.	Miss Catherine Dyarman	601 East 4th St.
Wichita, Kan.	Mrs. Carl Goeller	135 No. Oliver	Mrs. Ted Young	635 No. Belmont
Western, Conference				
Glasco, Kan.	Miss Ota Studt	Delphos, Kan.	Miss Elma Grau	Glasco, Kan.
Glasco, Kan. (Jr.)	Miss Melva Williams	Glasco, Kan.	Miss Helen Grittman	Glasco, Kan.
Hays, Kan.	Miss Dorothy Hall	507 W. 14th St.	Mrs. W. H. Moeller	1207 Fort St.
Salina, Kan.	Miss Vera Lane	424 Washington	Mrs. C. A. Pfenninger	741 So. 9th St.

SECRETARIES OF THE CHILDREN OF THE CHURCH GROUP

Fort Smith, Ark.	Mrs. Norman Slack	619 No. 36th St.
Atchison, Kan.	Mrs. J. B. Herndon	1200 So. 4th St.
Bendena, Kan.	Mrs. R. E. Gaston	Bendena, Kan.
Chapman, Kan.	Mrs. Elizabeth Loy	Chapman, Kan.
Emporia, Kan.	Mrs. Wilford Riegle	1220 Neosho St.
Eureka, Kan.	Mrs. H. G. Worrell	116 E. 2nd St.
Glasco, Kan	Miss Eula Jean McCollough	Glasco, Kan
Hutchinson, Kan.	Mrs. Paul Buskirk	209 E. 4th St.
Kansas City, Kan. "Trinity"	Miss Mildred Christiansen	614 No. 16th St.
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1883	Eureka	Mrs. T. F. Dornblaser	Mrs. J. E. Herbst	Mrs. A. J. Kissell
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1885	Peabody	Mrs. M. J. Schauer	Mrs. F. D. Altman	Mrs. J. E. Herbst
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1887	Abilene	Mrs. L. L. Belmer	Amanda Boorey	Mrs. J. E. Herbst
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1889	Atchison	Mrs. T. L. Bond	Mrs. J. M. Searles	Mrs. S. Rentz
1890	Salina	Mrs. T. L. Bond	Mrs. J. M. Searles	Mrs. A. M. Porch
1891	Emporia	Mrs. T. L. Bond	Mrs. J. M. Searles	Mrs. A. M. Porch
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1894	Topeka	Mrs. Ella C. Beegle	Mrs. J. N. Lents	Mrs. M. F. Selig
1895	Abilene	Mrs. Ella C. Beegle	Mrs. J. N. Lents	Mrs. M. F. Selig
1896	Lawrence	Mrs. T. L. Bond	Mrs. R. H. Williams	Ms. John Hoffer
1897	Peabody	Mrs. T. L. Bond	Mrs. R. H. Williams	Ms. John Hoffer
1898	Hutchinson	Mrs. John Hoffer	Josephine Maedel	Mrs. G. S. Funk
1899	Atchison	Mrs. L. S. Keyser	Josephine Maedel	Mrs. G. S. Funk
1900	Waterville	Mrs. L. S. Keyser	Ada Livers	Mrs. H. A. Ott
1901	Wellington	Mrs. L. S. Keyser	Ada Livers	Mrs. H. A. Ott
1902	Salina	Mrs. T. L. Bond	Mrs. C. N. Swihart	Ms. J. W. Ball
1903	St. Joseph	Mrs. T. L. Bond	Mrs. H. L. Humphrey	Lena Korn
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1905	Emporia	Mrs. H. A. Ott	Mrs. P. A. Lutt	Mrs. R. B. Wolf
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1909	Kansas City	Mrs. H. L. Humphrey	Mrs. W. B. Winzenried	Mrs. H. E. Moss
1910	Lawrence	Mrs. M. F. Troxell	Mrs. W. H. Schrock	Mrs. H. E. Moss
1911	Abilene	Mrs. M. F. Troxell	Mrs. W. H. Schrock	Mrs. H. L. Humphrey
1912	Hays	Mrs. W. H. Schrock	Mrs. Andreas Bard	Mrs. H. L. Humphrey
1913	St. Joseph	Mrs. H. L. Humphrey	Mrs. Andreas Bard	Mrs. E. E. Stauffer
1914	Eureka	Mrs. A. R. Schrader	Mrs. W. B. Winzenried	Mrs. H. Runkle
1915	Topeka	Mrs. M. F. Troxell	Mrs. W. B. Winzenried	Mrs. H. Runkle
1916	Lawrence	Mrs. C. S. Brewer	Mrs. Thos. Frack	Mrs. P. Mennenoeh
1917	Wichita	Mrs. C. S. Brewer	Mrs. Thos. Frack	Mrs. H. Runkle
1918	Lawrence	Mrs. W. B. Winzenried	Mrs. W. D. Ziegler	Mrs. H. Runkle
1919	Salina	Mrs. W. B. Winzenried	Mrs. H. W. Hanshue	Mrs. G. G. Clark
1920	Atchison	Mrs. W. B. Winzenried	Mrs. A. L. Groseclose	Mrs. G. G. Clark
1921	Emporia	Mrs. S. S. Kauffman	Mrs. J. J. Clemens	Mrs. G. G. Clark
1922	Peabody	Mrs. S. S. Kauffman	Mrs. A. L. Groseclose	Mrs. G. G. Clark
1923	Hutchinson	Mrs. Thos. Frack	Nelle F. Pugh	Mrs. G. G. Clark
1924	Wellington	Mrs. Thos. Frack	Nelle F. Pugh	Mrs. G. G. Clark
1925	Abilene	Mrs. H. Runkle	Mrs. E. C. Almquist	Mrs. E. S. Gaston
1926	Wichita	Mrs. H. Runkle	Mrs. E. C. Almquist	Mrs. W. H. Rippel
1928	Oklahoma City	Mrs. D. L. McConnell	Mrs. G. C. Smith	Mrs. W. H. Rippel
1929	Kansas City	Mrs. D. L. McConnell	Mrs. R. R. Bang	Mrs. W. H. Rippel
1930	Lawrence	Mrs. E. C. Almquist	Mrs. G. C. Smith	Mrs. W. C. Miller
1931	Hays	Mrs. E. C. Almquist	Mrs. G. C. Smith	Mrs. W. C. Miller
1932	Hutchinson	Mrs. G. K. Mykland	Mrs. F. W. Juergensen	Mrs. G. C. Smith
1933	Topeka	Mrs. G. K. Mykland	Mrs. F. W. Juergensen	Mrs. G. C. Smith
1934	St. Joseph	Mrs. G. C. Smith	Mrs. W. W. Klover	Mrs. F. W. Juergensen
1935	Tulsa	Mrs. G. C. Smith	Mrs. W. W. Klover	Mrs. F. W. Juergensen
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1937	Wichita	Mrs. J. P. Jensen	Mrs. E. P. Boerch	Mrs. F. W. Juergensen
1938	Oklahoma City	Mrs. F. W. Juergensen	Mrs. G. L. Searech	Mrs. W. C. Jacobson
1939	Kansas City	Mrs. F. W. Juergensen	Mrs. G. L. Searech	Mrs. W. C. Jacobson
1940	Atchison	Mrs. W. W. Klover	Miss Helen Fink	Mrs. W. C. Jacobson